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>> QuoteOfTheWeek

"We have somebody in a position of authority. This is new ground."

—Michael Wolczyk, Antioch Trustee, on how the board will address the
Antioch liquor and Trustee Robert McCarty's inadvertent violation of it. (see
story on 4A)

>> Editor'sChoice

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Thanks for reading the Journal.

• Larry Lough is an editor and
manager for NorthWest News Group.

Dog days of summer



Candace H. Johnson • wjnews@nwnewsgroup.com

Tina, 10, a calm terrier, watches Waukegan's American Independence Parade. Tina's owner is Vicky Orusa, of Waukegan.

>> CorrectionsAnd
Clarifications

• The June 29 edition of the
Journal stated that Irazema L.
Clares, 25, 222 W. Forest Ave.,
Round Lake, was charged with
driving with a revoked license.
She was actually charged with
driving with a suspended
license. We regret the error.

• In "Village looks for new
administrator," in the June 29
edition, Trustee Dennis
Crosby's concerns were stated
incorrectly. He actually thinks
that no village employees, not
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>> Antioch

Children explore their imaginations

Camp Invention comes to Antioch

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH — Sean Bering, 8, excitedly showed off the old computer tower he ripped apart and gutted at Antioch Upper Grade School.

The Antioch boy had transformed a computer into a sort of mini house for his family, complete with what he called automatic room protection.

"What you do is you go up to the front door and say your name," Bering said. Speaking in a monotone robot voice, Bering explained that the system would recognize family members by name, and stop strangers from coming in.

This was one of many gadgets that Bering created during Camp Invention, a week-long day camp for kids. This was the first time the camp had come to Antioch.

Camp Invention is a nationwide program that aims to teach students in grades first through sixth about science, creativity and teamwork by using household items and garbage to make inventions.

"I love everything about it," Bering said of the program.

Amy Henning, who teaches fifth grade at W.C. Petty School, served as a camp counselor the week of June 25 to 29.

"Some of their inventions will really work, some will work in their imaginations," Henning said, with a smile.

The 74 kids who participated traveled from the Antioch and Lake Villa/Lindenhurst area, as well as Mundelein and parts of Wisconsin, Henning said.

Many of the classes or stations, as Camp Invention calls them, focus on teamwork and planning. For example, where Bering built his stranger protection room, the kids first wrote down ideas, ways to accomplish them, and how to do it.

In the same room, Harrison Morgan, 7, proudly displayed his boat. It was made out of a large plastic bottled wrapped in clear plastic



Eight-year-old Ethan Wiener, a third-grader at Oakland Grade School, works on his invention during Camp Invention at Antioch Upper Grade School. The program urged students to invent, try and modify inventions such as cars, games and roller coasters.

tubing, and a radio antenna stuck out from one side.

Morgan also related, with much pride, how he had dismantled an old VCR.

Henning said that the kids bring home recyclable materials from home such as old electronics, empty cereal boxes, paper towel tubes, cardboard, duct tape and more. Many of the inventions are created from these simple items.

Many of the contraptions showed how imaginative the children were. Matt Milewski, 9, of Lake Villa, fashioned an airplane using a tiny plastic hanger, and used cut straws as a support system for the paper taped on top.

Throughout the school that day, kids roamed the halls with their inventions, shouting and laughing. Antioch's Kendall Kuxhouse, 10, ran around with other classmates whom had made little cars for eggs, with the goal being an uncracked egg.

Kuxhouse's car had a head rest for the egg, sides made out of a cut-up water bottle, and she even includ-



Participants of Camp Invention at Antioch Upper Grade School bounce a water balloon on a tarp during a game they invented. Children from Antioch, Lake Villa, Lindenhurst, Mundelein and Wisconsin attend the week-long program.

ed a plastic cup hat for the egg.

Henning said Camp Invention has been great for the area's kids, and she was really glad the camp

decided to stop by Antioch. "It's really using their imagination," Henning said. "We needed something like this."

>> OurTown



Tara Clifton

Take a look in a book

Those who love history might delight in a new book by Wendy Maston and Robin Kessell.

Titled "Images of America: Antioch," the book chronicles the early history of the village using 200 photos.

The \$19.99 book will be available Monday, July 16, at area bookstores, independent and online retailers, as well as through Arcadia Publishing at (888) 313-2665 or www.arcadiapublishing.com.

Hanna Mehnert, 8, recently chopped off 12 inches of her hair and donated the strands to Locks of Love. Locks of Love is a nonprofit group that gives hairpieces to needy children who are younger than 18 years old and suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis.

The Lake Villa girl, daughter of John and Gail Mehnert, said she loves her new shoulder-length 'do, but plans to grow out her hair and donate again.

The Lindenhurst Park District recently awarded the 2007 John Schultz Memorial Soccer Scholarship through the Youth Soccer League's Roland Wetzel Scholarship Fund. One winner took home a \$1,000 scholarship while three won \$500.

The recipients volunteered and worked in the Lindenhurst Park District Youth Soccer Program. They are Alan Amundson, Jason Sippy, Austin Hahn, and Brett McKenzie.

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* If you have a "Neighbor" whom we should profile in this column, call the Lake County Journals at (847) 223-8161, or e-mail antioch@weeklyjournals.com or lakevilla@weeklyjournals.com.

>> Antioch

No conclusion yet on Antioch's liquor ordinance

Village attorney: research suggests code is outdated

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH - The Village Board for nearly an hour discussed a proposed ordinance that would alter village code and enable Trustee Robert McCarty to maintain his seat and his business.

McCarty has been the center of attention ever since former village president Taso Maravelas pointed out that McCarty inadvertently violated Antioch's liquor ordinance by owning a liquor license and being a trustee.

Now trustees have to decide whether to amend the code to meet state statutes.

Since 2006, McCarty and his wife have been part owners of the Double Eagle Sports Club, at 955 Route 59.

And for the past two years, McCarty served as chair of the public safety, parks and license committee, which often authorized special event liquor licenses for club events.

According to Antioch village code, found on www.antioch.il.gov, no law enforcing public official, village president or village trustee can be directly or indirectly involved with selling, making, or distributing alcohol.

This is in synch with the Illinois Liquor Control Act of 1934, but not with the act's amendments.

According to the Illinois General Assembly's Web site, the state law was changed in 2001 to allow a village official serving in a community with a population of 50,000 or less to own a business that served alcohol as long as food also was sold.

This official would not be allowed to vote on liquor issues that came before the board.

The act was amended again in 2005 to add that to avoid a conflict of interest, an official who owns such a business should not participate in any meetings, hearings, or decisions regarding the sale, distribution or manufacture of liquor.

Village Attorney Rudolph Magna said that his thorough analysis and research of the state statutes versus similar village liquor codes around Illinois have shown him that Antioch's liquor law is outdated.

"To the best of my advice, this ordinance is not legal," Magna said of the village code.

Magna added that many cases such as McCarty's were never entirely settled in courts, and the ordinance probably would not hold up to legal scrutiny.

Trustee Dennis Crosby said that he felt uncomfortable with changing village law simply because it was inconvenient.

He suggested that if this code was changed, then any time a law interfered with an official's life, that law also could be amended.

"I've had to separate the person aspect from the issues. I tried to do that with this situation," Crosby said. "The decision before us is not something that can legitimately be based upon friendship or admiration or any other factor than what the law says."

Crosby said he feared that if McCarty were allowed to retain his license and seat, he might enjoy special privileges that other businesses

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Dennis Crosby
Antioch Trustee

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would not because of his status as a trustee.

Trustee Michael Wolczyk asked Magna about such cases from other towns, and said that the fact that a trustee's position is at stake is unique.

"We have somebody in a position of authority," Wolczyk said. "This is new ground."

The issue will likely be discussed again during the next Village Board meeting at 7:30 p.m. on July 16.

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>> Antioch

Woman charged with sexual abuse

Boy found in former
counselor's apartment

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH - A woman accused of having a sexual relationship with a 16-year-old runaway boy will appear before a judge at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 12, in court room C-120 in Waukegan.

Lori B. Zolno, 32, 293 JoAnna Court, Antioch, is charged with obstructing justice, harboring a runaway, and aggravated criminal sexual abuse.

Acting on a tip from authorities in the

Chicago office of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, Antioch police last week searched the apartment at JoAnna Court, Cmdr. James Ruth said.

Ruth, a spokesperson for the police department, said that officers found the boy hiding in a closet in the apartment.

Police confirmed that he was a runaway and a ward of the state.

Zolno was arrested, and after questioning admitted to having a sexual relationship with the boy during the several

weeks he lived with her, Ruth said.

The boy was turned over to DCFS, said a spokesman with the agency.

Ruth said that Zolno was once the boy's counselor at The Gateway Foundation's Lake Villa office.

Billie Alexander Avery, director of the Lake Villa office, said Zolno worked for the social service organization from 2000 until she was fired. Her last day was May 8.

Zolno worked in the women's programs and as a youth counselor during her tenure, Avery said.

Avery said she could not comment on other details about the boy and Zolno, citing patient privacy.

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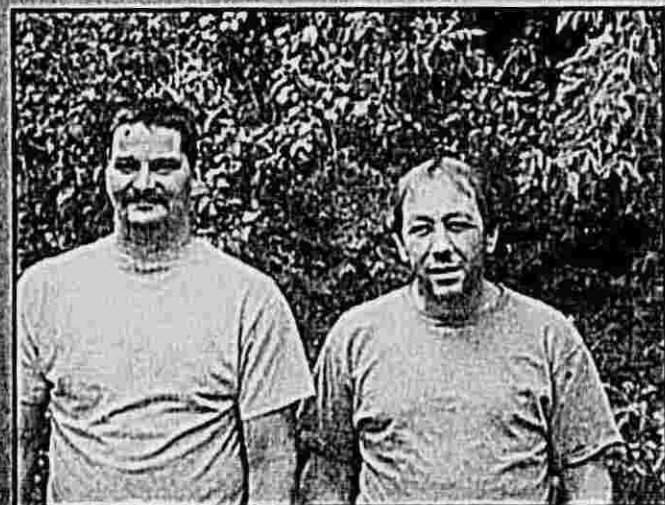
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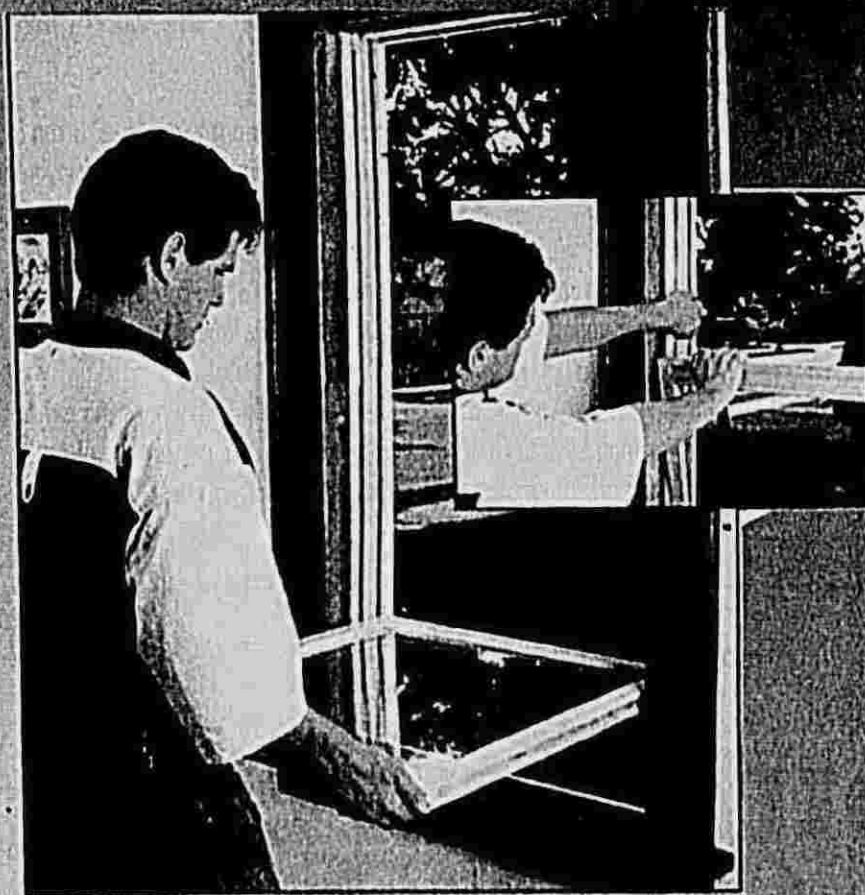
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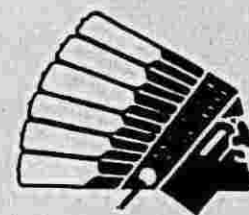


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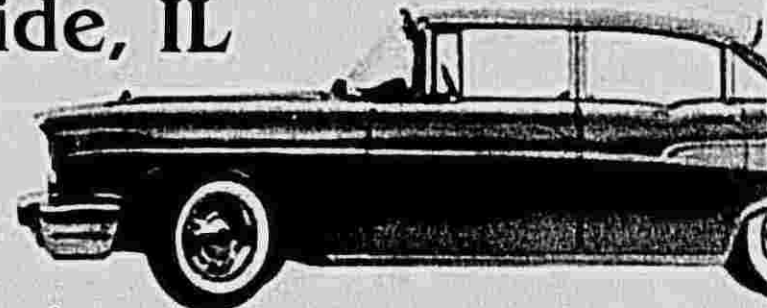


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• **AFFTER (Advocates for Fibromyalgia Funding, Treatment Education and Research) support group meeting.** 10 a.m.-noon, first Saturdays. Antioch's Community Building, 884 Main St. Call (847) 362-7807 or go to www.AFFTER.org for more information.

• **Kiwanis Club of Antioch meeting.** Noon, Tuesdays.

Petrucchi's Italian Market & Cafe, 311 Depot St. Contact Melissa at (847) 489-8044, e-mail at mjrigoni@hotmail.com, or Larry Mondie at (847) 650-9530, e-mail at brscoops@aol.com for more information.

• **The Meeting House Museum.** 11 a.m.-3 p.m., first Saturdays. See original photos of Antioch and a veterans' exhibit of photos and memorabilia from the Civil War through the Gulf War.

• **Lakes Area Community Band rehearsal.** 7-9 p.m., Mondays. Antioch Community High School band room. Area musicians high school age and older are welcome to join. No auditions. Call Debbie Davis at (847) 395-0272 to learn more.

• **Open gym.** 7-9 p.m., Sundays. Antioch Community High School. \$2. Adults only.

BEACH PARK

• **23rd Annual Lambs Farm Golf Day.** Tuesday, July 17; check-in at 10 a.m., shotgun start at noon. Thunder Hawk Golf Club, 39700 N. Lewis Ave. \$400 per golfer covers 18 holes, golf clinic, lunch, dinner and more. For more information, call Barbara Schwartz at (847) 990-3733 or visit www.lambsfarm.org/golf.

CRYSTAL LAKE

• **Crystal Lake Toastmasters Club meeting.** 8-10 a.m., first and third Saturdays at Amcore Bank Building, Rt. 14 and Pingree Rd. Develop your presentation and leadership skills. For information, call Steve at (847) 526-1525 or visit <http://user.mc.net/~toast11>.

GRAYSLAKE

• **Zurko's Antique Market.** 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Sunday, July 8. Lake County Fairgrounds, Rts. 120 and 45. For more information, call (715) 526-9769 or visit www.zurkopromotions.com.

LAKE VILLA

• **Kids Dance Camp.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, July 14. Lakes High School, 1600 Eagle Way. Ages 5-13 years; participants will learn a routine and perform it. \$25 fee. Registration forms available online at LakesEagles.com or call (847) 514-4827.

• **Lake Villa Village Board meeting.** 8 p.m., second Wednesdays

• **Lake Villa District Library Board meeting.** 7 p.m., second Mondays. 1001 E. Grand Ave.

• **Lake Villa Township Board meeting.** 7:30 p.m., second Tuesdays. Township offices, 37908 N. Fairfield Rd. Call (847) 356-2383.

• **Weigh to Win meeting.** 7-8 p.m., Tuesdays. Calvary Christian Center, Monaville Rd. Call (847) 356-6181 to learn more.

• **Lake Villa Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting.** 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays. Church of the Holy Family, 25291 W. Lehman. Call Cathy at (847) 587-7710 or Debbie at (847) 687-5531 for details.

• **MOMS Club of Lake Villa/Lindenhurst meeting.** 9:30 a.m., Mondays. Lake Villa District Library, 1001 Grand Ave. Children welcome. For more information, call Erin Bearss at (847) 546-1545.

LIBERTYVILLE

• **Tourette Connection support meeting.** 7-8:30 p.m., second Tuesdays. Libertyville Covenant Church, Rt. 176 and St. Mary's Road. This support group provides resources, education and socializing for anyone whose life is touched by Tourette's Syndrome. For more information, call Maureen at (847) 680-5061 or Shari at (847) 549-7810.

• **Arthritis support group meeting.** 2 p.m., second Sundays. Call Martha at (847) 362-0889 to learn more.

• **MS Support Group meeting.** 2-4 p.m., second Sundays. Call (847) 549-8971 for additional details.

• **Lake County Retired Teachers' Association meeting.** Noon, second Tuesdays. Lambs Farm Country Inn. Lake County teachers, retired teachers, and their guests are invited. Call

(847) 362-5813 for information.

LINDENHURST

• **Lindenhurst Village Board meeting.** 7 p.m., second and fourth Mondays. Village Hall Boardroom. Call (847) 356-8252 for more information.

• **Lindenhurst Park District Board meeting.** 6:30 p.m., second Tuesdays. For more information, call (847) 356-6011 or visit www.lindenhurstparks.org.

• **Lindenhurst Environmental Activity and Education Commission meeting.** 6:30 p.m., second Wednesdays. Village Hall, 2301 E. Sand Lake Rd.

• **Lindenhurst Community Partnership meeting.** 7 p.m., second Wednesdays. Village Hall.

• **Free blood pressure screening.** 8 a.m.-noon, Mondays. The Village at Victory Lakes Continuing Care Center. Call (847) 356-5900 to learn more.

• **VFW Post 4894 meeting.** 8 p.m., second Wednesdays. Civic Center. Call (847) 356-7482 for details.

• **Lake Villa Township Lions Club board meeting.** 7 p.m., second Tuesdays. State Bank of the Lakes.

MILLBURN

• **Millburn Chapter 570, Order of the Eastern Star meeting.** 7:30 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays. Millburn Masonic Lodge, Rt. 45 near Grass Lake Road. For more information, call Chapter Secretary Clarissa Mellen at (847) 244-3698.

MUNDELEIN

• **Dog wash fundraiser.** 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Saturday, July 14. K-9 Playtime, 403 Washington Blvd., Unit 1. For \$10 donation, dogs get bathed and brushed by the We Care! Youth Club members. No reservations necessary. For more information, contact Animal Education and Rescue at (847) 816-0831 or e-mail at info@aear.org.

• **Lake County Illinois Genealogical Society meeting.** 6:30 p.m. Round Table Discussion, 7 p.m. meeting, second Tuesdays. Fremont Public Library, 1170 N. Midlothian. Bring questions or problems. For more information, call Debbie at (847) 281-9227 or Jeanine at (847) 362-0788.

• **Prairie Patch Quilting Guild meeting.** 9:30-11:30 a.m., second Mondays. Community Protestant Church, 418 N. Prairie at Hawley. Call Marge at (847) 816-7197 or visit www.prairiepatchquiltguild.com for more information.

• **Illinois Cosmetology Association of Lake County meeting.** 6:30-8:30 p.m., second Mondays. Fremont Public Library, 1170 N. Midlothian. You must be a licensed cosmetologist, barber, nail technician or beauty school student to attend. No pre-registration needed. Call Mary at (847) 546-9276 for details.

WAUCONDA

• **44th Annual IPRA Championship Rodeo.** 5 p.m., Saturday, July 14, and 1 p.m., Sunday, July 15. Golden Oaks Rodeo Grounds, Rt. 12 at Case Rd. Advance tickets are \$13 adults and \$5 children 5-10; at the gate, \$15 adults and \$6 children. For more information, visit www.waucondarodeo.com or call (847) 526-5580.

WAUKEGAN

• **National Alliance for the Mentally Ill support group meeting.** 6:30 p.m., second Thursdays. Lake County Health Department, 3012 Grand Ave., Waukegan. Call LCHD at (847) 377-8180 for details.

PLEASANT PRAIRIE, WIS.

• **ChicagoLand Danskin Tri Race and Exhibition.** July 7-8; race 6 a.m., Sunday, July 8. Lake Andrea, Prairie Springs Park, 10000 Terwall Terr., Hwy 165 and H. For more information or to register, visit www.danskin.com/triathlon.html

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Lake Villa board, developer evaluate legal settlement

By TARA CLIFTON
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LAKE VILLA – Before a crowd of roughly 30 people, the Lake Villa Village Board recently considered plans to develop the former Cedar Lake and Sherwood parks.

This was the first time the board looked at the proposal since the planning commission

voted to send a negative recommendation to trustees.

"We stuck to the facts this time," said Trustee James McDonald.

McDonald added that no drawings were shown and plans were not discussed because they were at a planning commission public hearing.

The village is evaluating whether to let land owners

Robert and Susan Johnston and Buschman Development build 515 residential units, including condominiums and townhouses, and a 12-acre commercial space.

Drawings for the Cedar Lake Park site showed 100 single family lots. Next to the subdivision were 133 townhouses.

On the Sherwood Park site, 102 townhouses would be built

Get up and go

The Village Board will discuss the former Cedar Lake and Sherwood parks at its next meeting, 8 p.m. on July 11 at Village Hall.

next to 180 condominiums. Adjoining the homes would be a 12-acre commercial area.

During the Village Board

meeting, McDonald said, that developers went through the lawsuit settlement, village ordinance requirements, and took questions from trustees.

"They need a few more pieces of documentation," said Village President Frank Loffredo.

Robert and Susan Johnston and Buschman Development must comply with village codes

under the lawsuit agreement, which was settled in September 2006. The Johnstons and Buschman Development filed the suit against the village when their plans were rejected.

McDonald said he isn't exactly happy about the lawsuit, but understands that Lake Villa needs more businesses and homes near the Metra station.

Women hope to educate others about dangers surrounding food allergies

• ALLERGIES

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The new policy involves food that is brought into the classroom for parties, birthdays, and treats. Homemade food is no longer allowed; rather, the food must be store bought, unopened, and include an ingredient label.

A few board members said that parents should teach their children about their allergies, but Orpano said that it's not that simple.

"You would never put a kid in a room with poison or a bomb, but with our kids it happens everyday," Orpano said.

A child might know to avoid peanuts, for example, but accidental contamination happens easily, Orpano said. Using the same utensils for dangerous foods as non-dangerous foods and not wiping surfaces during and after food preparation are both things that many people would not automatically think about, Orpano and Miller said.

They know it can be tough for those whose kids are allergy free.

"You know I wouldn't inconvenience you if it didn't mean the death of my child," Orpano said.

Miller said it can be quite scary to send her daughter to school. She trusts that her little girl knows what foods to



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Clara Miller (left), 8, swings with her friend Natalie Castano, also 8, while eating a sandwich during a picnic at Oakland School in Antioch. Clara has several food allergies including peanuts, dairy and shellfish.

Does your kid have food allergies?

Contact Anne Miller at akd-jmiller@earthlink.net and Julie Orpano at julia.orpano@comcast.net if you would like to become part of a group that offers tips and support for parents of children with severe food allergies.

stay away from, but if an emergency occurs, Miller said she is uncertain that anyone would know how to deal with it properly.

Orpano said she learned this the hard way when her daughter was about 8 years old.

While Orpano and her husband were away, her daughter's grandfather gave her daughter a peanut butter cookie. Immediately she had a severe reaction, her face flushing red and her airway tightening, and her grandfather panicked, Orpano said.

Orpano said that someone finally grabbed an EpiPen, which injects epinephrine to treat allergic reactions.

The experience made her realize that more people need to be educated about severe food allergies, she said.

And that's really what the support group is all about, Miller said.

"You have to have foresight," she said, "and be prepared."

Come Worship With Us

A Directory Of Antioch Area Churches

Graceland Baptist Church, 258 Ida St., Antioch, IL. Sunday School 11am, Morning Worship 11am, Sunday Evening 7pm. Robert Williams, Pastor.

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, 1501 Deep Lake Road, Antioch, 847-395-9400. Sunday Worship at 9am, Sunday School, High School & Adult Bible Classes 10:45am.

Heritage Lutheran Church, Heritage Lutheran, 630 N. Beck, Lindenhurst, (847) 356-1766. Sunday service 10:00 am, Sunday School & Bible Class 9:00 am. (summer schedule - 9:00 am Sunday) Rev. Mark W. Anderson, Pastor.

St. Ignatius Episcopal, 500 Depot St. Antioch Phone (847) 395-0652. Low Mass 7:30am, High Mass 9:30am Sunday School & Nursery 9:30am.

CrossView Church (formerly Antioch Evangelical Free Church) 750 Highway Drive, Antioch, IL 847-395-4117 Sunday Worship 9:00am and 10:30am Sunday School for all ages (nursery provided) Call for more information.

St. Stephen Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1155 Hillside Ave. (847) 395-3359. Sunday Worship, 8:00, 9:30, 10:45am. Rev. Roger Black, Pastor. Saturday Worship Service 5:00pm

Christian Life Fellowship Assemblies of God Church, 41625 Deep Lake Rd., Antioch, (847) 395-8572. Sunday School (all ages) 9am, Sunday Worship 10am & 6:30pm, Children's Church 10am, Wednesday Worship & Children's Program 7am, Tues. Women's Fellowship & Bible Study 9-11:30am. Jeff Brussay, Pastor.

Antioch Baptist Church, 817 Holbeck Dr., Antioch, (847) 769-5332. Sunday Worship 10:15am, 6:00pm, Wednesday Bible Study 7:00pm. Pastor Ken Foster.

Community Church of the Holy Spirit, 25291 W. Lehmann Blvd., Lake Villa, (847) 245-3000. Sunday Worship 11am, Bible Study Wednesday 10:30am & 7:30pm. Rev. Scott Keenan, Pastor. www.mylholyspirit.org.

Faith Evangelical Lutheran, 24300 W. Grass Lake Rd., Antioch, (847) 293-6101. Sunday Worship 8am, & 10:45am. Mon. Worship 7:00pm, Sunday School Weekly at 9:30am, Adult Studies Sun. 9:30am & Tues. 7pm, www.faihanioch.org

Millburn Congregational United Church of Christ, 19073 W. Grass Lake Rd. at Rte. 45, (847) 356-5237. Sunday Services 8:30am. Eucharist at 10am. Family Worship with Church School and Nursery Care. Rev. Jed Watson, Pastor.

Antioch United Methodist Church, 848 Main St., Antioch, (847) 395-1259. Sunday Worship 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School all ages 9:15am. Nursery birth through kindergarten of age from 8 to 11:30 a.m. Rev. Barbara Good, Pastor. www.umcoa.org.

St. Peter's Church, 557 W. Lake St., Antioch, (847) 395-0274. Masses weekdays, 7:30am; Sunday 6:30, 8, 9:30, 11:30am & Saturday 5:30pm. Rev. Father Ronald H. Anglim, Pastor.

Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church, 43 W. Grass Lake Rd., Lake Villa. www.clcbc.com. (847) 838-0103. Sunday Worship 9:30 and 11:00. Sunday School Jr. & Sr. High Youth Programs. Rev. Kerry Bauman, Senior Pastor

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod), 25100 W. Grand Ave. (Rte. 59 & 132), Lake Villa, (847) 356-5158. Sunday Worship 8:15 & 10:45am; Sunday School (3 and up) and Bible Study 9:30am. Rev. John Zellmer, Pastor.

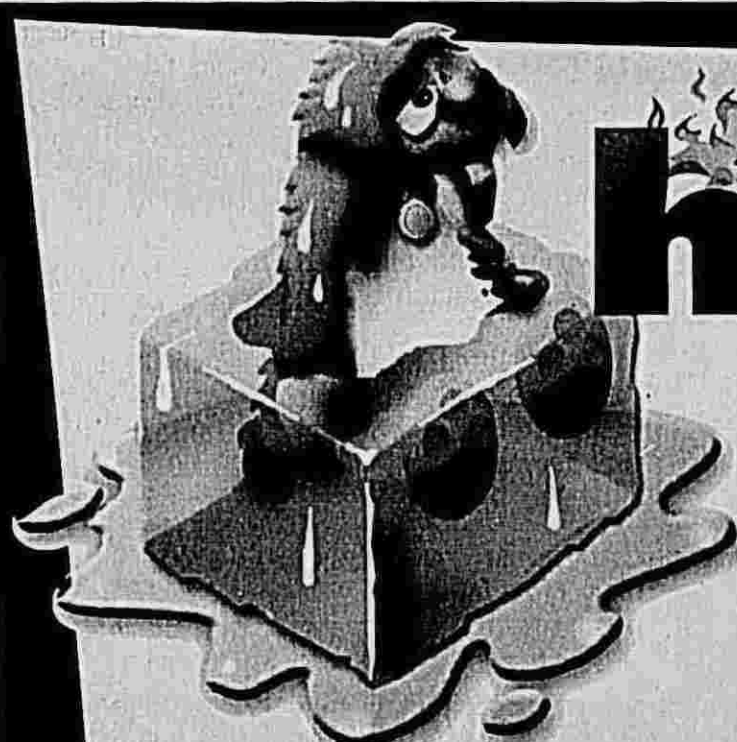
Lighthouse Church of Antioch, 554 Parkway Ave., Antioch, IL (847) 838-0616. Saturday Service 7:00 p.m. Adventure Club for Kids, Adult Bible Study Saturday 6:00 p.m. Monday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Thursday Evening PTSD Support Group 7:00 p.m. Senior Pastor Tom Bartmer.

NorthBridge Church, A Contemporary Worship Experience. Meeting at Antioch Community High School, 1133 Main St., Antioch, (847) 838-0800, www.northbridgechurch.org. Sunday Summer Service - 10 am. Children's Classes (K-8) - 10 am. Mark Albrecht, Senior Pastor.

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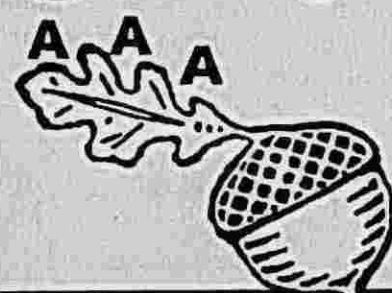
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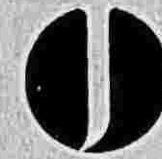
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Eleanor M. Qualey, 82, Grayslake
Ruth E. O'Connor, 85, Antioch

Kathryn Irene LaPlante Evans, 30, Romania
Jordan Matthew Styx, 24, Ingleside
Dolores Ann Pankauskas, 58, Antioch

Julie A. Richard, 56, Lindenhurst
Otto H. Hoos, 91, Libertyville

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>> InBrief

Stay cool at Park Place

Waukegan Township's Park Place Senior Center, 414 S. Lewis Ave., in Waukegan in conjunction with the Waukegan Police Department will transport any senior without air conditioning from their residence to Park Place when it is dangerously high temperatures.

Waukegan Township is an official cooling center for Waukegan Township seniors. When the temperature reaches 90 degrees or higher, during daylight hours, the center will remain open until 8 p.m. If you need a ride or more information, call (847) 244-9242.

-Local reports

Local agencies receive 2006 CROP Walk funds

Church World Service (CWS) has released local funds raised through CROP Hunger Walk of Northern Lake County Illinois that took place in October 2006. The CROP Hunger Walk is a 10K walk against hunger and poverty involving Lake County religious organizations and other groups that are committed to serving those in need throughout the world.

Of the funds raised at local CROP Walks, 75 percent are used by CWS and other international aid agencies to provide disaster relief and self-help across the globe. The remaining 25 percent raised is used in the community to help support local organizations. Fourteen local agencies received a total of \$21,719.25 to alleviate hunger and poverty in the Lake County Community.

Agencies receiving funds were A Safe Place, Calvary Community Care, Christ Episcopal Church Community Meal, COOL Transitional Housing and Food Pantry, First Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church Soup Kitchen, First United Methodist Church free meal, Holy Family Outreach Center, Holy Family Food Pantry West, Holy Family Bread Basket and Soup Kitchen, Mt. Sinai Baptist Church Food Pantry, Northern Illinois Food Bank, PADS Crisis Services, Inc., St. Anastasia Soup Kitchen and PADS, and Shiloh Baptist Church Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry.

Local doctor gets re-elected to Illinois medical society

James L. Milam MD of Libertyville, was re-elected to the Illinois State Medical Society's Board of Trustees.

A board-certified Obstetrician/Gynecologist, Dr. Milam is on the active staff at Condell Medical Center, where he is the medical staff president, and at Lake Forest Hospital. He is on the academic staff at Highland Park and Evanston hospitals and has served as Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Chicago Medical School from 1995-1999.

-Local reports

Making a clean sweep



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Waukegan resident Mike Marshall, 17, cuts down some non-native plant species during a river clean up on the Waukegan River with the Youth Conservation Corps. YCC members Stephanie Gillette, 23, and T.J. Smith, 17, both of Waukegan, also are pictured. Navy recruits from Naval Station Great Lakes also participated in the cleanup.

Youth Conservation Corps hosts Waukegan River Clean Up

By DANI SCHWEIGERT
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WAUKEGAN - Lake County youths showed their community pride June 29 as they participated in Youth Conservation Corps' (YCC) Second Annual Waukegan River Clean Up. About 70 young men and women helped cleanup Waukegan by collecting garbage, debris and clearing invasive species in the area.

"It's a win-win situation because the young people are taking ownership," Tony Figueroa, alderman of the 4th Ward, said. "It gives them the

Finding success

What: Youth Conservation Corps' (YCC) Second Annual Waukegan River Clean Up
Where: Hyde Park School, Yeoman Park and Glen Rock Avenue in Waukegan
When: From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on June 29
Goal: YCC met its goal of collecting two tons of waste.

opportunity to take ownership of the environment."

Many of those young people who volunteered

were members of the Navy, including Navy Seaman William Harper, who was working with YCC for the first time.

"I've done a lot of charity in the past," Harper said. "Volunteering is something to do. It keeps you busy."

Harper lifted and piled logs at Hyde Park School, one of the three areas YCC cleaned during the event. The other areas volunteers cleaned were Yeoman Park and Glen Rock Avenue in Waukegan.

See RIVER CLEAN UP, page 10A

Local business aids in wind farm development

By DENYS BUCKSTEN
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LIBERTYVILLE - In the late 16th century, the fictional, self-styled knight Don Quixote jostled at windmills; "Quixotic" would become an adjective for futility. Now, 300 years later, the world's top energy users aren't charging at windmills - they're building highly sophisticated wind turbines.

According to the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, founded in 1977 as the Solar Energy

Research Institute, the United States generates more than 10,000 megawatts (MW) of electricity from the wind, enough to power 2.5 million average American homes.

By the year 2020, it is projected that the U.S. will derive 5 percent of its power from wind, according to the Wind Energy Council.

"There are times when there won't be enough wind," said Tom McLinden, Aldridge Electric's vice president of Business Development. "So you can't replace fossil and nuclear fuels. But the

upside is that wind is a renewable power source. It's always going to be there."

Aldridge is a family-owned firm in Libertyville.

In 2006, Aldridge Electric expanded into wind generation and now plays a key role in building one of Illinois' first wind farms, which is in Camp Grove, north of Peoria.

In the long term, 107 wind farms are planned to be built in Illinois.

The state has four farms online: Mendota Hills near Mendota; Crescent Ridge and Pike County,

near Bloomington; and Manilus. Twelve more are proposed or under construction, including Camp Grove.

General Electric is one of the world leaders in production of the actual turbines, which convert the mechanical energy to drive the turbines.

Specifically, Aldridge is building the underground cables that tie the actual wind farms to the power grid, or substation.

See ALDRIDGE, page 10A

INSIDE LAKE COUNTY



John S. Matijevich

>> SeeingItThrough

Gov. Rod Blagojevich and a majority of the Illinois Legislature might be excited about moving the Illinois primary to Feb. 5, but John Matijevich says this will cause more incumbents to be re-elected. And don't forget that with the filing date moved up that even incumbents might not have enough time to file.

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>> SnapShot

This week's question

"Do you think the Bears organization made the right decision to cut Tank Johnson from the team? Why or why not?"

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>> PartyLines

Wauconda says goodbye

Former village official James Keagle was remembered by Wauconda for his many years of service to the community. Keagle died June 19; he was 74 years old.

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>> OurView

What to do about immigration?

The death of the federal immigration bill leaves it open to many suggestions.

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>> SketchView



Marching on



Candace H. Johnson - wjnews@nwnewsgroup.com

Zion resident Deon Thomas, 5, performs with the Waukegan Jazz Steppers Drill Team and Drum Corps during Waukegan's American Independence Parade on Sheridan Road. The parade took place on Sunday, July 1.

>> Grayslake

School safety concern for Lake County officials

By TARA CLIFTON
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GRAYSLAKE - The massacres at Columbine High School in 1999 and at Virginia Tech in April have been documented as two of the worst school shootings in the nation's history. In the Chicago area's own backyard, a 13-year-old girl was shot and killed on June 25 while at a playground on the city's northwest side.

Lake County officials want to make sure that similar tragedies don't happen in local schools. The keyword here, many say, is preparation.

Law enforcement, education officials and residents gathered on Thursday, June 28, at the College of Lake County for the Lake County Sheriff's School Safety Forum to talk about ways to keep students safe.

Det. Andrea Usry said that recent events and America's changing culture make it imperative for teachers and police officers to learn all they can about how to react in a

crisis situation.

"We all like to think it can't happen here, but it can," Usry said. Usry is team leader of the Sheriff's Office School Safety Unit.

"It's our job to protect our children," she said. "Unfortunately our times are changing and your role and responsibilities are also changing."

That's why the state and sheriff's office have put together materials, brochures and Internet documents, that outline evacuation procedures, how to spot a predator, and more, Usry said.

"We all need a unified response so that we can minimize our losses," Usry said.

For example, an Illinois Principals Association newsletter outlines the School Safety Drill Act, which applies

to public and private schools. The act lists four types of drills, including law enforcement drills when police are needed to keep occupants of a building safe during a lockdown.

The act requires three evacuation drills in a school year, with one requiring fire department participation. Also, one bus evacuation and one severe weather drill is required. Lockdown drills are strongly encouraged, but not necessary.

Edward Bates, who works with the Lake County Regional Office of Education, said that information also needs to be distributed to the community.

Children need to be taught how to identify a person who could become violent, Bates said, and need to learn the lures that online sexual predators use.

"I think the real key issue here is we know the world has changed," Bates said. "We have to review policies that are outdated and need to change."

Sheriff Mark C. Curran Jr. urged the audience to be vigilant of their surroundings and to trust law enforcers when help is needed.

"What you need to know is that the sheriffs are there for you, the police are there for you," Curran said. "Please pick up the phone. We need you."



Roycealee Wood
Superintendent
of schools



Mark Curran
Lake County
Sheriff



Jedredic Holback, a Navy recruit from Naval Station Great Lakes, cuts some non-native plant species during a river clean up at the Waukegan River with the Youth Conservation Corps.

Youth Corps collects two tons of waste

• RIVER CLEAN UP
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Covered in dirt and wood shavings, Harper smiled as he carried logs with other sailors.

Also clearing branches and logs at the school was YCC member Stephanie Gillette. Gillette joined YCC Nov. 20, 2006 "to get life skills and job skills and to help the environment."

"We help our community, and we've got a lot of team work," she said. "It's nice to have a clean [area.] Nobody likes a bad environment."

Although it was 68 degrees Fahrenheit, many participants splashed themselves with water to stay cool.

"This is the hardest I've worked in a long time," Waukegan Fire Chief Patrick

Gallagher said with a laugh. "It's important that the people know their fire department cares about the community."

And caring about the community is what YCC is all about, YCC Program Developer Kelly Hiznay said.

"YCC actually was started in 1974 as an environmental program, so that's the spirit of it," she explained. "We always try to get out there and volunteer and do some environmental work."

Hiznay added that June is the perfect time to host the Waukegan River Clean Up.

"At this time of year, people have been inside for a long time, so it's a nice break from their routine," she said. "It starts the summer off well."

And although the event went well, Hiznay said the organization met its goal of collecting two tons of waste,

What is YCC?

YCC is a nonprofit organization that provides GED classes, life-and-job-skills training and various certifications to youth ages 16 through 24. For more information, call (847) 623-0900, or stop by the organization, at 221 N. Genesee St., in Waukegan. YCC also will host the Des Plaines River Clean Up on July 20.

she said she can't wait to expand the clean up next year.

"We always hope to increase the amount of volunteers and the amount of events we do," she said. "It's really important to have events like this because the people and businesses of Waukegan do so much for us. Waukegan supports us, so we want to support it."

Aldridge wind team excited to help

• ALDRIDGE
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A substation takes 34,500 volts to 34.5 kilovolts, and steps it up to the needed transmission grade of 13.8 kilovolts going into a power line, which is connected to a power grid supplying electricity to the surrounding community.

The wind team at Aldridge includes McLinden; Wayne Grearig; vice president of National Power, Ray Clark; and senior estimator and senior project manager Steve Goley.

McLinden and others have welcomed the eco-friendly winds of change.

"This current generation of wind farms has been around for about five years," McLinden said.

Illinois' wind turbines,

with 120-foot blades, generate between 1.5 to 2.5 megawatts of electricity. The West Coast turbines can generate as much as 5 megawatts. Modern wind turbines have been designed to rotate the blades at slow enough speeds so that birds are less likely to fly into them.

Clark said the Camp Grove farm will power between 800 to 1,000 homes a year.

Tina Wexler, manager of marketing and communications at Aldridge, said the buzz generated by the wind farm project has been palpable.

"Having the initial exploration on the technology grow into actual work and development is really, really exciting," she said. "The people involved in this project, the superintendents and project managers, are young, very talented and enthusiastic, and they're

Watt to know

International Systems of Units (SI): A modern form of the metric system

Watt: The basic unit of electric, mechanical or thermal power in the SI system, equal to one joule a second

Joule: The basic unit of energy or work done by a force of one newton acting through distance of one meter

Newton: The basic of force in SI system, equal to force, which imparts to a mass of one kilogram an acceleration of one meter a second

Kilowatt: One thousand watts
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excited to be involved in something so proactive."

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>> FoxLake

Damaged, stolen buoys carry hefty price tag

Fox Waterway offers reward for information about buoy vandals

By STEVE PETERSON
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FOX LAKE – Fox Waterway (FWA) officials have been coping with stolen or vandalized buoys lights this season. But the worst such incident was at Grass Lake, when almost all of the centerline buoy solar lights were smashed through the protective gates, according to FWA officials.

At its first regular meeting since the incidents, FWA Chairman Howard "Bud" Scott announced a get-tough policy with offenders.

"I think the people who did this are goons," Scott said. "In the history of the FWA, this has upset me more than anything. This is domestic terrorism. I think the people who did this should be banned from the Chain O' Lakes for life."

FWA reported the damage on June 22.

At the June 28 meeting, FWA Board members voted to approve a \$10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those who damaged the buoy lights.

"It is an incredible safety issue," director Phil Bartmann said. "Especially for this to happen on Grass Lake, on a Thursday, when a lot of people are not familiar with the waterway."

Ingrid Ruttendjie, FWA executive director agreed with Bartmann.

"I sincerely don't think boaters have a clue how expensive these buoys, with their specialized lights are, to install, maintain and replace," Ruttendjie said.

Ruttendjie added that "essentially, 140 boaters, who bought B-boat stickers, just donated their 2007 sticker fees to those other boaters that have



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Several buoys, similar to the one shown above, were vandalized on Grass Lake last week. The buoys, fitted with lights, were used to mark the lane for boaters to travel down the middle of the lake.

Know where to call

FWA officials are asking the boating public to call McHenry County Marine Unit, (815) 385-3239 (marine base), (815) 338-2144 (main office); Lake County Marine Unit, (847) 587-4471 (marine base) or (847) 5490-5200 (main office) and Illinois Conservation Police, (847) 608-3100.

had stolen, broken and smashed buoys this year."

The FWA maintains more than 520 buoys throughout the 15 lakes of the Chain O' Lakes. More than 20 years of service, the FWA has experienced with every brand of buoy available both in the U.S. and internationally, as well as custom designed buoys and buoy lighting and cages that are unique only to the Chain O' Lakes and the Fox River system.

According to the FWA, in

2004, the buoy system came into full compliance with the new U.S. Aids to Navigation (U.S. Aton's) system regulated by the U.S. Coast Guard, and thus, has a mix of brand and styles of buoys depending on the lake. Additionally, the FWA manages the Homeowner Buoy Program, which allows homeowners to buy buoys at the FWA at a cost of \$100 each. These are used to mark their 150-foot from shore no-wake zone.

So far this year, 24 buoys have been stolen or damaged, as well as seven solar lights, plus the seven on Grass Lake. At a cost of \$1,495 each for the large buoys, \$245 for the smaller buoys and buoy lights at \$400 each, the total damage has been more than \$8,395.

Lake County Marine Unit Lt. Bruce Scottberg said that the on-duty personnel have been made aware of the situation.

Four-legged visitors



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Winkle, a 10-year-old mixed breed from Save-A-Pet, visits with participants of the Special Recreation Association of Central Lake County's day camp program at Woodview School in Grayslake.

Special Recreation athletes compete at Special Olympics

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From June 15 through June 17, Special Recreation Services of Northern Lake County in Waukegan attended the Illinois State Summer Games with two athletes.

The summer games had 3,583 athletes.

Christian Torres competed in bocce ball and received a silver medal. There were 354 bocce ball athletes, with three athletes competing in Torres' division.

About SRSNLC

Special Recreation Services of Northern Lake County is a cooperation of Waukegan Park District, Zion Park District, Lindenhurst Park District, and Round Lake Area Park District.

Donna Wagner, competed in shotput and received a bronze medal. There were a total of 139 shotput athletes, with five athletes competing

in Wagner's division.

Special Recreation Services of Northern Lake County provides individuals with disabilities and special needs the opportunity to be involved in year-round recreation and leisure programs.

Programs are available for individuals from three years old through adults who are in special education programs, vocational workshops or for those who need assistance to succeed in recreational activities.

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DOROTHY WILLIAMS

Born: Feb. 17, 1916

Died: June 25, 2007

Was a member of the United Protestant Church of Grayslake

MONTELO, WIS. — Dorothy Williams, age 91 of Montello, Wis., died on Monday, June 25, 2007 at the Montello Care Center. She was born on Feb. 17, 1916 in Illinois to Walter and Hattie (nee Tews) Schad. She was united in marriage to Harvey Williams on Aug. 7, 1935 at the Round Lake Community Church. Harvey passed in June of 1976. Dorothy was a member of the United Protestant Church of Grayslake.

Survivors include her son, Dennis (Cyndy) Williams of Montello, Wis.; her four grandchildren; her 10 great-grandchildren; and other relatives and friends. Her aforementioned parents, two brothers, and her husband, Harvey precede her in death.

The funeral was held at 11 a.m. on June 28 at Strang Funeral Chapel & Crematorium, in Grayslake. Interment followed at North Shore Garden of Memories in North Chicago. Friends of the family visited from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the funeral chapel. For information visit www.strangfuneral.org. Please sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits

ELEANOR M. QAULEY

Born: Dec. 6, 1924

Died: June 26, 2007

Loved to cook, quilt, watch movies and was an avid reader

GRAYSLAKE — Eleanor M. Qualey, age 82 of Grayslake, died Tuesday, June 26, 2007 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born in Chicago on Dec. 6, 1924 to Rudolph and Anna Mae (nee Ine) Kaplan. Eleanor retired from Marshall Field's in Vernon Hills, having worked for over 15 years. She was an active member of Santa Maria del Popolo in Mundelein.

Survivors include her husband William; her children Mark (Johanna) Qualey, Ellen (Bill) Paul, Janet (Doug Sobon) Camasta, Paul Qualey, Patrick Qualey, and Eileen (John) Koutsulis; her 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on June 30 at St. Gilbert Catholic Church, in Grayslake. Interment followed at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville. Friends of the family visited from 9 to 10 a.m., the morning of the service at Strang Funeral Chapel & Crematorium, in Grayslake. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation, 5005 LBJ Freeway, Ste 250, Dallas, TX 75244. Please sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits

RUTH E. O'CONNOR

Born: Dec. 30, 1921

Died: June 26, 2007

Was a Girl Scout and a Girl Scout leader

ANTIOCH — Ruth E. O'Connor, age 85 of Antioch, died Tuesday June 26, 2007 at Vista Medical Center East, Waukegan. She was born Dec. 30, 1921 in Chicago, the daughter of the late John and Nellie (Heyward) Davies. Ruth lived in Oak Park for 52 years before moving to Antioch 10 years ago. She was a life member of the Home Chapter Order of the Eastern Star in Chicago. On Feb. 9, 1946 she married James C. O'Connor in Chicago.

Survivors include her husband of 61 years, James; two children, Mary O'Connor of Antioch and Robert (Nancy) O'Connor of Wonder Lake; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; five nieces; and a nephew.

The funeral was held at 3 p.m. on June 30, at the Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church, in Lake Villa with Pastor Kerry Bauman officiating. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery East, in Antioch.

Visitation was from 4 to 8 p.m. June 29, at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions to the American Diabetes association or the American Cancer Society in her memory. Please sign our guestbook at www.strangfh.com. Please also sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits

KATHRYN IRENE LA PLANTE EVANS

Born: Oct. 27, 1976

Died: June 23, 2007

Served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Bangladesh

ROMANIA — Kathryn Irene La Plante Evans, passed away suddenly in Romania Saturday, June 23, 2007. She was born Oct. 27, 1976 in Lake County, the daughter of Gregory and Judith (Garwood) LaPlante. Katie lived in Antioch, and attended Grass Lake School in Antioch and Astoria Grade School in Astoria and graduated from Emmons Grade School and Antioch High School in 1994. She earned her bachelor's degree from St. Cloud State University in St. Cloud, Minn. in 1998 and a Masters Degree in Public Health from Florida International University in North Miami, Fla. in 2006. Katie spent her life in service to others; serving as a Peace Corps Volunteer from 2000-2002 in Bangladesh; at the Greater Chicago Food Depository as coordinator of volunteer services from 2002-2004; and in Romania as Project Manager for International Orthodox Christian Charities USAID funded project, "Strengthening Community-Based Initiatives on HIV/AIDS and Family Violence in Romania" from April 2006 until her death on June 23, 2007. Katie loved spending time with family and friends and being outdoors anytime anywhere. She met John Evans while serving in the Peace Corps. They were married on May 8, 2004 in Hobart, Ind.

Survivors include her husband John; her mother, Judy (John) Shaffer of Lake Villa; her father, Gregory (Beth) LaPlante of St. Anne; her maternal grandmother, Kathryn Garwood of Antioch; her brother, Edward (Beth) LaPlante of Carmel, Ind.; her sister, Michelle (Duane) Yearout of Kenosha, Wis.; her nieces, Kayla and Hannah Yearout, Emma and Chloe LaPlante and nephews, Chase LaPlante and Aidan and Connor Evans; her mother and father-in-law Linda and Michael Evans; her brother-in-law, Jeff (Sheila) Evans and sister-in-law Jean Evans and countless friends in the United States, Bangladesh, Romania and around the world. She was preceded in death by a brother Richard G. LaPlante on Oct. 21, 2000.

Funeral Services with Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11 a.m., July 3, at St. Peter Church, 557 Lake St., in Antioch. Visitation was at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch, from 4 to 8 p.m., on July 2. For more information call 847-395-4000. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made, in her memory, to The Independence Center, 2025 Washington, St., Waukegan, IL 60085 www.icwaukegan.org. Please sign our guest book at www.strangfh.com. Please also sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits

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JORDAN MATTHEW STYX

Born: March 28, 1983

Died: June 24, 2007

An avid snowboarder, motorcycle enthusiast, musician, music lover and break dancer

INGLESIDE — Jordan Matthew Styx, age 24 of Ingleside, died Sunday, June 24, 2007 at Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge. He was born March 28, 1983 in Waukegan to John J. and Therese M. (Manahan) Styx.

Survivors include his four children, Brian Pankauskas and Kimberly (William) Bonaguidi both of Antioch, Maureen (William) Mears and Ann Pankauskas both of McHenry; five grandchildren; her mother, Ann Tighe and her siblings. She was preceded in death by her father and a brother.

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A resident of Ingleside for the past 10 years, Jordan formerly lived in Round Lake. He was a graduate of Grant High School in 2001. He received his B.S. Degree in Finance from Illinois State University in Bloomington in 2006, and was a financial analyst for BCU (Baxter Credit Union) in Vernon Hills. While a student at Illinois State, he was active with the Illinois State Redbirds pole vaulting program. He was an avid snowboarder, motorcycle enthusiast, musician, music lover and break dancer, who also enjoyed pursuing his artistic skills. He enjoyed living life to its fullest and was greatly loved by his family and his many friends. Those who knew him appreciated his keen sense of detail and great organizational skills.

Survivors include his parents, John and Therese, of Ingleside; four brothers, Joseph (Jami) Styx of Round Lake, Joshua (Rianna) Styx of Libertyville, Jonathan (Brianna) Styx of Fox Lake and James Styx of Ingleside; a sister, Jessica Styx of Ingleside; a nephew, Jack Styx; a niece, Isabel Styx; his maternal grandparents, Chuck and Rosemary Manahan of Wauconda; his paternal grandmother, Jean Styx of Beach Park; his paternal great-grandmother, Catherine (the late Joseph) Styx of Lombard; his girl friend, Traci Bennett of Lombard; aunts and uncles, cousins and his many friends. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Joseph Donald Styx.

The visitation was from 4 to 8 p.m. on June 28 at Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home in Round Lake. The funeral service was at 10 a.m., June 29 at The Chapel, 25270 W. Highway 60 in Grayslake, with visitation beginning at 9 a.m., until the time of service. Interment was private. Friends may send an on-line condolence to the family at www.justenfh.com Please also sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits

DOLORES ANN PANKAUSKAS

Born: Dec. 18, 1948

Died: June 21, 2007

Hobbies included ceramics and knitting

ANTIOCH — Dolores Ann Pankauskas, age 58 of Antioch, passed away suddenly Thursday June 21, 2007 on arrival of the Aurora Medical Center, Kenosha, Wis. She was born Dec. 18, 1948 in Miami, Fla. Dolores was a member of St. Peter Church in Antioch and had worked for several years as a legal secretary. On March 8, 1969 she married Jerome Pankauskas in West Chester, Pa., and he preceded her in death on Jan 21, 2001.

Survivors include her four children, Brian Pankauskas and Kimberly (William) Bonaguidi both of Antioch, Maureen (William) Mears and Ann Pankauskas both of McHenry; five grandchildren; her mother, Ann Tighe and her siblings. She was preceded in death by her father and a brother.

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JULIE A. RICHARD

Born: June 28, 1951

Died: June 28, 2007

Was an avid reader and enjoyed boating

LINDENHURST — Julie A. Richard, age 56, of Lindenhurst, died on Thursday, June 28, 2007, at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights. She was born on June 28, 1951, in Manitowoc, Wis., the daughter of the late Roma and Lester Nemitz. She was a 1974 graduate of Marquette University and received her MBA in Healthcare Administration. She was employed for over 10 years with the College of American Pathologists, where she was the marketing manager. She was fond of dogs, especially her dalmations, Chocolate and Black Jack. On June 27, 1974 she married her husband, Tracy.

She is survived by her husband, Tracy; her son, Michael (Jennifer) of Grayslake; her grandchildren; her sister, and her nephews.

The funeral was at 11 a.m. on July 3, at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church, in Gurnee, for an 11 a.m. Funeral Mass. Interment was at Millbrook Cemetery, at Old Mill Creek. Visitation on was on July 3, at the church, from 10 a.m. until the time of service at 11 a.m. Memorials of your choice will be appreciated. Ringa Funeral Home of Lake Villa, handled the arrangements. Please sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits

DAVID F. RUNYARD

Born: April 14, 1936

Died: June 29, 2007

Worked in the U.S. Post Office in Antioch as a letter carrier

WAUTOMA, WIS. — David F. Runyard, age 71 of Wautoma, Wis., died suddenly Friday evening, June 29, 2007 at Aspirus Wausau Hospital, following a day of great fishing with his son and grandson on Lake DuBay near Wausau, Wis.

He was born April 14, 1936 in Antioch, the son of Thomas and Harriet Chase Runyard. David married Nancy M. Bailitz on Sept. 12, 1959 in Antioch. David was raised in Antioch, and was a 1954 graduate of Antioch High School. Following his graduation from Antioch High School, David entered the U. S. Navy and served his Country in the South Pacific, from 1954 to 1958, during the Korean Conflict. He attained the rank of Petty Officer First Class. Upon his return from Service, he

became employed as a Rural Letter Carrier by the U. S. Post Office in Antioch. David was employed at the Antioch Post Office for 32 years until his retirement in 1991.

Survivors include his wife of almost 48 years, Nancy; three sons, Michael (Vicky) Runyard of Antioch, Robert (Susan) Runyard of Twin Lakes, Wis., and James (Rita) Runyard of Lindenhurst; five grandchildren; two brothers, two sisters, and many nieces and nephews, other relatives, and good friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Margaret Ann McKinney.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Father Ronald Anglim Friday, July 20 at 1 p.m. at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Antioch. Full Military Honors will be provided by the Antioch American Legion Post following the Mass. A Memorial has been established. The Ruminski Funeral Home of Redgranite, Highway 21, Redgranite, Wis. is assisting the family with arrangements. For further information, call (920) 566-2313. Please also sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits.

KATHLEEN M. JOHNSON

Died: June 29, 2007

Worked in the kitchen at the W.C. Petty Grade School

ANTIOCH — Kathleen M. Johnson of Antioch, died Friday, June 29, 2007 at her home. She was born in Chicago the daughter of the late William and Ruth (Brankie) DeFrance. Kathy was a member of the Women of the Moose Chapter 735 of Antioch and was an avid bingo player. On Nov. 24, 1987 she married John Johnson in Chicago.

Survivors include her husband, John; her children, William (Julie) Stenzel of Forest Park, Ruth (Bradley) Rademaker of La Grange, Stacy (Bryan) Roe of Chicago and Emily Johnson of Antioch; her seven grandchildren; and her brothers and sisters. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband, Richard Stenzel.

Funeral services with Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, July 6, 2007 at St. Peter Church, 557 Lake St., Antioch. Entombment will be in Ascension Cemetery, in Libertyville. Visitation was from 4 to 8 p.m., July 5, at Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. In lieu of flowers, those desiring may make contributions in her memory to "We Care" 4149 Harper, Gurnee, IL 60031. Please sign the guest book at www.strangfh.com. Please also sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits

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brothers; and two sisters. Visitation was from 4 p.m. until the time of services at 6 p.m. on July 3 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, in Libertyville, with Pastor Mark Jumper from Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church officiating. Services with interment in Orchard Street Cemetery will be held on July 6 in Livingston Manor. Memorial contributions can be made to the Hoos Truck Co. Fire Dept. in his memory. Please sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits

JEANETTE EDWARDS

Born: Nov. 22, 1931
Died: June 30, 2007

Known to all as "Grandma Duck," devoted her life to helping her family

ROUND LAKE - Jeanette Edwards, born Nov. 22, 1931 in Springfield, was a devoted wife, sister, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She was born Nov. 22, 1931, during the Great Depression,

a time that left a lasting impact on her and helped to develop her strong sense of family. From a young age she helped to take care of her nieces and nephews. She began her own family in 1950 when she married Richard Edwards on March 26 in Round Lake. She had met Richard while working as a waitress in McHenry. She moved with her husband to Round Lake where later that year her first daughter Pat was born. She had a son, Richard, born two years later and a second daughter Ruth, in 1953.

While raising her family, she worked, and was a caregiver to her in-laws. Her family expanded when her first granddaughter was born in 1970.

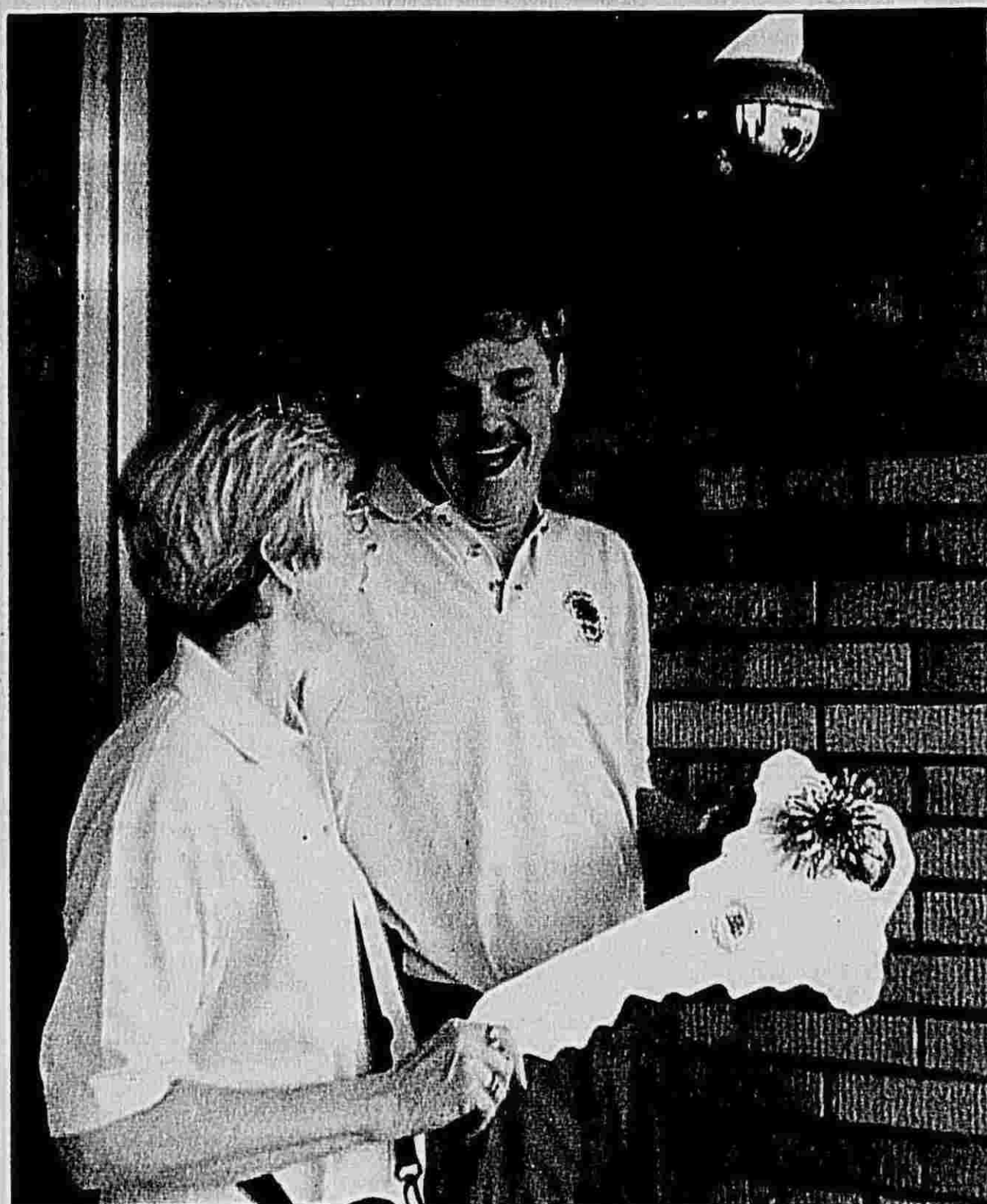
Since then her family has continued to grow and now includes nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She always had a special ability to make each and every one of them feel like they were her favorite. Known to all alike as Grandma Duck, Jeanette was a loving, generous, woman, who devoted her life to helping her family. She enjoyed a variety of hobbies, including reading, sewing and baking, but the most important thing to

her was her family. She passed away on June 30 after a long illness. She was preceded in death by her husband on July 23, 1991 and her daughter Pat on March 18, 2001.

She is survived by her son, Rick (Brenda) Edwards; daughter, Ruth (Perry) Miller; her sister, Donna; her grandchildren, Jessica (Bob), Kelly (Jessie), Jennifer, Christian (Heather), Sara (Scott), Rick, Ashley, Taylor, Kristen; and her great-grandchildren, Cody, Adrian Nathan, Jayden, Chloe, Divinity, Jenica, Rory, Riley, Andraly, Jacob, Aaron, and Emily. She will be infinitely missed by all.

Funeral Services will be held at 10 a.m., July 6, at the Calvary Presbyterian Church, 510 N. Cedar Lake Rd, Round Lake, with the Rev. Ulice J. Kauffman officiating. Interment will follow at Avon Centre Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9 a.m., July 6 until the time of services. Arrangements are entrusted to the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Please sign our guest book for Jeanette at www.strangfh.com. Please also sign the Guest Book at www.LakeCountyJournals.com/obits.

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>> Antioch Men charged for burglary

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH - Police once again arrested young men suspected of taking items from unlocked cars.

Daniel J. Friel, 20, 11802 218th Ave, Bristol, Wis.; John M. Golk, 17, 26483 Grapevine Ave., Antioch; and Timothy P. Leber, 17, 570 Drom Court, Antioch, were charged June 19 with four counts of burglary, four counts of attempted burglary, and one count of retail theft, according to a press release.

At 2:37 a.m. on Tuesday, June 19, police spotted three people huddled around a parked car at 565 Main St., the release stated. As Officer Chuck Smith approached, they ran away, with Smith in pursuit.

Smith eventually caught one of the people and found him holding a camera and a CD case. Police later arrested the other two, and after questioning all three they admitted to stealing from unlocked cars after drinking alcohol they had stolen from Wal-Mart.

Leber and Golk were remanded to the Lake County Jail on a \$150,000 umbrella bond pending a court date at 1:30 p.m. on July 18. Friel was remanded to the jail on a \$50,000 bond pending a court date on the same day and time.

Just weeks earlier, Antioch police charged two teenagers for stealing from cars.

Robert J. Wypych, 18, of Killen, Texas, and Paul L. Juergens, 18, of the 38000 block of Route 59 in Lake Villa, were arrested and charged June 3, with six counts of attempted burglary to a car and one count of burglary to a car.



Daniel J. Friel



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Sept. 8th - Mini Sprints
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Sept. 22nd - Modified's & Street Stocks

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June 30: WOS 410 Sprints, Mods, StreetStocks, Mini Sprints, SportTrucks, F4's

*July 7: IRA OUTLAW SPRINTS, Final Round "King of Wisconsin", Mods, StreetStocks, (WOS receive show-up points)

July 14: WOS 410 Sprints, Mods Round 2- Dave's Muffler and Twin Lakes Liquors (\$800 to win), StreetStocks, Mini Sprints, SportTrucks, F4's

July 21: WOS 410 Sprints, Mods, StreetStocks, Mini Sprints, SportTrucks, F4's

July 28: WOS 410 Sprints, Mods, StreetStocks, Mini Sprints, SportTrucks, F4's

*Aug. 4: BADGER MIDGETS, Mods Round 3 Roy's Auto Service (\$800 to win), StreetStocks, Mini Sprints and Vintage Midgets

Aug. 11: WOS 410 Sprints, Mods, StreetStocks, Mini Sprints, SportTrucks, F4's (also Badger Midget rain date if necessary)

Aug. 16: Kenosha County Fair, Late Model Racing, plus Modified support class

Aug. 17: Kenosha County Fair, IRA Outlaw Sprints, (WOS receive show-up points)

Aug. 19: Kenosha County Fair, Demolition Derby

Aug. 25: WOS 410 Sprints, Mods, StreetStocks, SportTrucks, F4's

Sept 1: Mods, StreetStocks, Mini Sprints, SportTrucks, F4's

Sept 8: Mini Sprint Championship, Wilmot 410 Outlaw Sprints (tune-up, points night), Mods, StreetStocks, SportTrucks, F4's

Sept 15: Wilmot 410 Outlaw Sprints, SportTrucks, and F4's Championships, Mods, and StreetStocks

Sept 22: Modifieds, and StreetStocks Championships, SportTrucks, F4's non-points night

Sept 29: Racing for all classes, (RUN WHAT YA BRUNG) (Rain dates for Championships if necessary)

*Oct. 6: EVE OF DESTRUCTION - Demo Derby / Trailer Racing Championship

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Reality check for immigration law

The federal immigration bill was effectively killed late last month in a procedural vote in the Senate.

Opponents of the bill cheered its demise. It is exceedingly unlikely that Congress will take up this issue again before for the 2008 presidential election.

The debate about the immigration bill made it fairly clear that any law that includes a pathway for citizenship for illegal immigrants will be unacceptable to many in this country. Many who opposed the measure support enforcing our current laws and tightening the border. And "enforce our current laws" is code for deport them all.

However, it is time to face reality. There is no way we are going to deport 12 million people. The vast majority of people living here illegally are going to continue to do so and remain undocumented, or they are going to become citizens. There is no realistic third choice.

No convoy of buses headed to Mexico and South America. No airlift of Eastern Europeans out

of here. No flotilla back to south-east Asia.

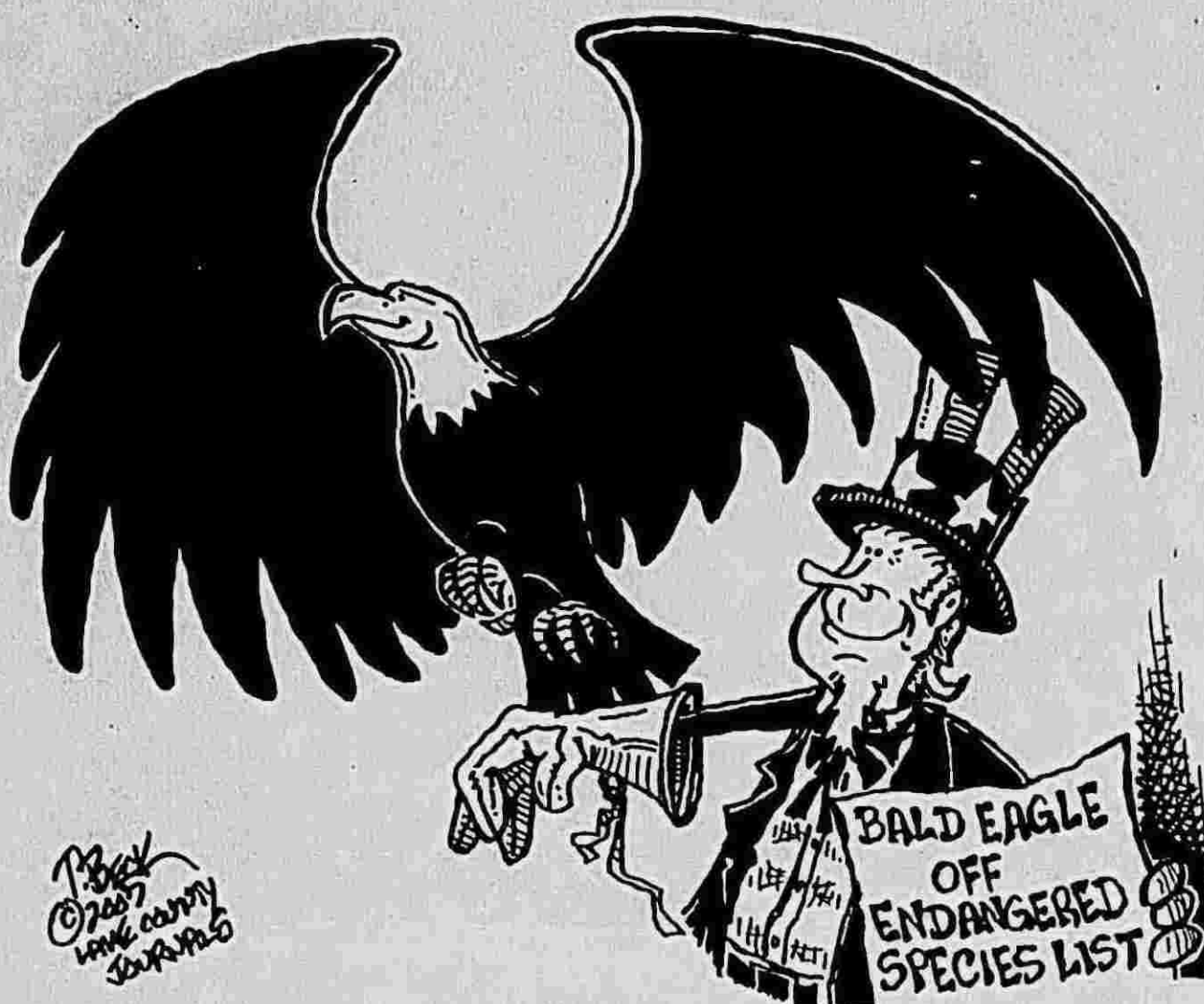
It's not going to happen.

That said, we do not support citizenship for everyone who is here illegally. But discussions about this issue need to be grounded in reality. Granting amnesty to everyone is not the answer, but treating it as a four-letter word to deter any compromise does not move us toward a real solution.

Yes, it's wrong that people come here illegally. But, we - Republican and Democratic administrations and congresses - have allowed companies to exploit and profit from that illegal labor for many years. We have enjoyed the cheap goods and services provided by that labor. It is the height of hypocrisy to now say to the workers who provided the labor, "What are you doing here?"

The status quo is unacceptable. The flood of illegal immigrants that continues to enter this country is unacceptable. Reform is needed, and the reality is it will have to include a path to citizenship.

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New gun law would be ineffective
To the Editor:

The point in a recent editorial in the Lake County Journals is that the slaughter of 32 defenseless students by Seung-Hui Cho justifies another federal gun control law.

The editorial cited Virginia state's noncompliance with its regulation to forward Cho's "information" to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, a clerical error that might have cost 32 lives. That shows that laws by themselves do nothing.

"The NICS Improvement Act of 2007" won't keep guns away from killers because they still can get them in places other than licensed gun shops. Gun shops are banned in Washington D.C., which had a murder rate of 35 for every 100,000 in 2004.

Across the Potomac River in Fairfax County, Va., where gun shops are legal, the murder rate is less than one for every 100,000.

Tech's students are at risk now. Virginia Tech had punished a student for bringing a handgun to class last spring - despite the fact

that the student had a valid concealed handgun permit. Tech successfully opposed a bill that would have, "barred public universities from making rules or regulations limiting or abridging the ability of a student who possesses a valid concealed handgun permit ... from lawfully carrying a concealed handgun. After the bill died, the school reiterated its fatal policy.

These murders are tragic. Passing another law is an ineffective remedy.

Federal laws apply equally to all states and territories. They don't discriminate among those who use guns as tools or those who use them to ensure successful crimes or people who are afraid of them. And the laws don't discriminate against those who falsely believe the police can protect them when confronted by someone pointing a gun at them.

I have more than 18 years experience with the Regulatory Enforcement Division, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. Those "flaws in the system" your editorial mentions were deliberately created by ATF regulation. The 1968

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Wauconda remembers an ex-village official

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The day job of former Wauconda President, Township Supervisor and Village Board member James Keagle was to be a salesman for Kellogg's, which is based in Battle Creek, Mich., his hometown.

From the Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association fishing derby, to Public Action to Deliver Shelter, to the township food pantry, Keagle was remembered for his giving nature and that he always smiled. The Wauconda area is still reeling from the loss of Keagle, who died on June 19 at age 74.

Dave Geary, Wauconda director of public works, spoke at Keagle's funeral.

"I remember when I returned to Wauconda with my new wife, Eileen," Geary said. "Jim, who was mayor at the time, brought us doughnuts because he had heard I was back in town."

Keagle was village president during 1989-93, trustee 1983-89, and supervisor 1993-2005.

Departing recognition

The village of Gurnee recently said thanks to Daniel Kloczkowski. Kloczkowski sat on the village's

Zoning Board of Appeals in 2001-03 and the plan commission from 2003 until this year.

He is leaving the village, and officials recognized him with a proclamation.

"Daniel Kloczkowski has enhanced the quality of life in Gurnee through his commitment for creative and higher-quality developments," the resolution read.

Antioch weighs liquor law

Antioch's Village Board of Trustees is wrangling over whether the village liquor code should be amended to match state statutes.

Trustee Robert McCartney's seat is in jeopardy, according to Antioch's code, which states that no law enforcing public official, village president or village trustee can be directly or indirectly involved with selling, making, or distributing alcohol. This matches the Illinois Liquor Control Act of 1934.

According to 2001 and 2005 amendments to the act, officials can now keep their positions as long as food is served along with the alcohol, and the official does not vote on matters related to alcohol.

Since former Village Board President Taso Maravelas revealed McCartney's violation of village code, accusations have been hurled between Trustees Robert Caulfield, Larry Hanson, and Dennis Crosby, and Village President Dorothy Larson and Trustee Scott Pierce.

Caulfield, Hanson and Crosby charge that Larson did not do her job as a liquor commissioner in letting McCartney retain his seat while owning a liquor license. Larson and Pierce say that the three, along with Maravelas, are aiming to get rid of McCartney to push their own agenda.



James Keagle
Former Wauconda official.

>> SeeingItThrough

Moving primary election helps incumbents

One of the few things that Gov. Rod Blagojevich and Illinois Senate and House Democrats agreed on this year was to move the primary election six weeks earlier in 2008, to Feb. 5. It was said that the change was made to give Illinois a greater voice in the presidential sweepstakes - and to give a boost to Sen. Barack Obama, the favorite-son candidate.

Illinois isn't alone in changing a primary election date. Other states are joining in the mad rush to early primaries to blunt the Iowa and New Hampshire roles in presidential politics.

I think that at least 20 states will have their primaries on Feb. 5, causing that date, which used to be called Super Tuesday, being now called Super Duper Tuesday.

All of this bolsters what I wrote after the 2004 election. There's got to be a better way to elect the president. I suggested then that we ought to scrap the national nominating conventions and have a National Primary Election Day. Super Duper Tuesday is getting us close to that.

No matter what was the basis for moving up the election date in Illinois, it doesn't make sense. If Obama succeeds in his bid, it will be because of his popularity nationwide, not because Illinois moved its election.

When the Legislature moved the primary to February, the title of the bill should have read, "The Illinois protect incumbents re-elec-



John S. Matijevich

tion act."

The Legislature this year might have put on the worst show in Springfield in many years. But, as was said in the classic movie "Casablanca," you can "round up the usual suspects" when the Legislature reconvenes after the 2008 election.

Beating any incumbent next year will be a Herculean task. Consider these difficulties. It was traditional that the kickoff for political campaigns began after Labor Day. Now, candidates will circulate their petitions in August. That's this year, folks, for a general election that won't be until November of next year.

Besides the difficulty of gearing up a political campaign so quickly for the early primary election, many procedural deadlines must be met.

There's the filing deadline. The existing law was tough enough when petitions had to be filed during the Christmas holiday season. Now, petitions must be filed between Oct. 29 and the first week of November. Even incumbents will be hard-pressed to get their papers filed in a timely fashion, so

you can imagine how tough it will be for challengers.

Those obstacles are simple compared to others.

What usually wins elections? No secret, it's money, and that's why incumbents are hard to beat. With the earlier election date, the window of opportunity for challengers to raise significant amounts of campaign funds is almost slammed into their faces.

What is another way that challengers have been able to upset incumbents? It's by hard-nosed, personal campaigning door-to-door and pressing the flesh. That type of campaigning is difficult enough in March. But, a door-to-door campaign in the dead of winter? Forget it. It's tough enough for Santa Claus. Pressing the flesh with your mittens on, and waves of frost blowing out as you toss your political pitch, will be extra tough in zero degree Fahrenheit weather.

My sympathies also go to all of the county clerks in Illinois who will face almost impossible deadlines and other challenges to administer the Feb. 5 election.

Sometimes when legislators make changes, they go from something that wasn't the best procedure in the world, to something that is utterly stupid. The Feb. 5 election will cause more problems - and for what?

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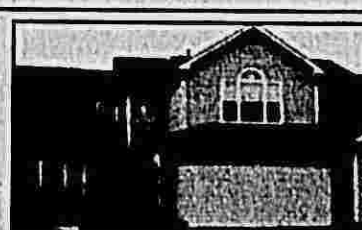
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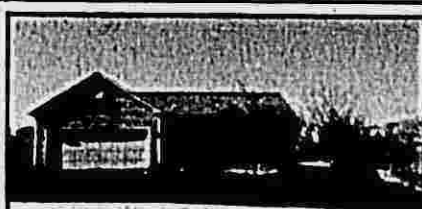
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'Generation young' goes DIY

Across the country, first-time homeowners are moving into houses that all too often look their age — much older than the new occupants.

According to a report from Harvard University's Joint Center for Housing Studies, people under 35 are making the greatest gains in homeownership rates in the United States. Older homes are particularly attractive because of their affordability and family-friendly neighborhoods.

Since half of America's housing inventory dates from 1950 to 1984, today's 35-and-under first-time homeowners, often called "Generation Young," find all the signs of outmoded architecture, including small rooms, inefficient windows and plain hollow-core doors. To make these homes fit today's modern lifestyles, Generation Y is going DIY.

Today's younger homeowners are undertaking remodeling projects at a much higher rate than their baby boomer counterparts. When planning to update a home, a little bit of research can go a long way toward prioritizing and making the renovation a success.

Here is a quick checklist of features that are most important for Generation Young homeowners and a few solutions to consider

from home building experts:

Revitalizing the ranch

Homes built in the 1950 to 1984 time period are predominantly ranch style. As 35-and-under homeowners take over these residences from retiring baby boomers, they bring with them a desire for more spacious floor plans, increased natural light and improved curb appeal.

Reconfigured living spaces with more windows and higher ceilings are major trends for Generation Young. However, allowing more natural light into the home and increasing the size of window openings means that more attention must be paid to UV protection and energy efficiency.

Installing windows with Low-E glass is one way to let the sun shine through while protecting against UV rays.

Selecting low-maintenance upgrades

Faced with longer commutes to work, job pressures and family commitments, Generation Young homeowners are hard pressed to find time for home maintenance.

As a result, there is a rising demand for low-maintenance products that require little time and

attention once they are installed.

This applies in particular to exterior upgrades, like windows and doors that are exposed to the elements.

Experts advise young homeowners to shop around for new composite products, such as fiberglass entry doors and vinyl windows that are attractive, energy efficient and require virtually no maintenance over time.

Splashing color inside and out

As a generation that has always known color televisions, color printers and color photos, it's no surprise that young homeowners are incorporating color and vibrancy into their homes as well. Generation Young is foregoing the "builder beige" of previous generations and experimenting with style color palettes from around the world.

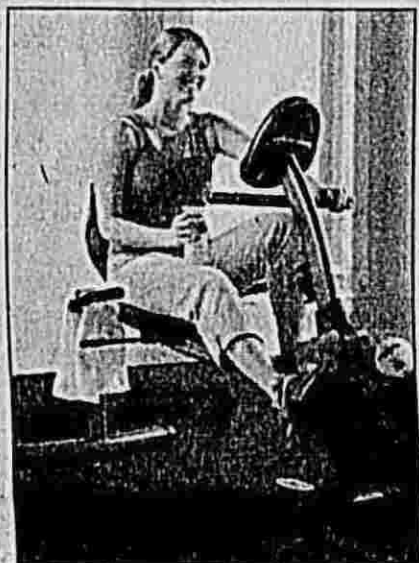
Experts recommend that homeowners consider how a change in color will coordinate with millwork and cabinetry in the home, as well as exterior fixtures.

Color is a personal choice, so it's important to sample the products available and understand whether warm and welcoming yellow is best for you, or if more bold colors will fit the bill.



To make these homes fit today's modern lifestyles, Generation Y is going DIY.

Turn your garage space into a living space



Are you tired of having exercise equipment in your living room? Set it up in your garage or basement.

No matter how big your house is, there never seems to be enough room for everything. Whether it's space for hobbies, recreation or just more storage, most of us could use more of it.

What if you could gain more space without an expensive addition? One of the latest trends in home remodeling is to make the garage usable for all kinds of activities. By updating and organizing the space, and adding different kinds of flooring, you can turn this area into a lot more than a home for your car.

Here are a few ideas for making the most of your garage:

- Wall space is your friend. Peg boards and plank walls allow you to hang bikes, hoses or wheelbarrows. Getting things off the floor is the priority.
- Think of organizing your garage as you do your kitchen. With adequate shelving and cupboards, everything will have a place to be stored and you can easily keep track of tools and gear.

Arranging tool storage adjacent to your garage freezer or other large items creates counter space for working on projects.

• If you enjoy working out, but are tired of having exercise equipment in your living room, set it up in your garage or basement.

• For the auto enthusiast, you can create a stand-alone floor for under your vehicle, which will make working on the car a much more comfortable experience. You can hose down your work area and not worry about water damage to anything in your work space.

• If bad-weather blues have the kids cooped up in the house, set up a game room with a basketball hoop, a foosball table or game table. With a hanging TV and sound system, you have a space for fun that is out of the elements. A comfortable floor underfoot makes it all possible.

Enjoy your lawn all season long

It's time to be one with nature again. The following tips can help homeowners have the grass greener on their side of the fence:

Watering

• Water deep and often. Most lawns need about an inch of water a week. If you're unsure how long to water, mark one inch from the bottom of several see-through containers and spread them around the lawn. Clock the time it takes to reach the one-inch mark and water for that length of time in the future.

• While water may be applied anytime of day, morning watering is most effective.

Mowing

• Before mowing, be sure the mower blade is sharp to prevent tearing the grass blades.

• Raise the mower to a high setting, so you only remove the top one-third of the grass blade.

• Change the mowing direction each time to keep coarse grasses under control and ensure an even surface.

Grasscycling

• Leave clippings when you mow. The grass clippings will recycle nutrients back into the soil and they don't contribute to thatch buildup.

Thatching

• If your lawn gets soft and spongy, you likely have thatch—dead roots caused by improper mowing, overwatering, or fertilizing.

• A little thatch is okay (no more than half an inch) but too much can cause problems.

• To control thatch, ask a lawn care specialist about aeration and pH balancing.

Weeding

• For a lush lawn, control weeds and unwanted plants with special applications and appropriate treatments.

• Wait for weeds to die, clear out dead foliage and reseed the bare patches as



soon as the treatment directions allow.

If you're following these tips and your lawn still isn't up to par, you may want to dig a little deeper. Contact a lawn care specialist for a soil test to analyze the makeup of your soil and possibly identify the causes of a less-than-perfect lawn.

By following a few simple tips, you and your family can enjoy spending time in your yard all season long.

Keep your family safe from home fires

Every 90 seconds a home fire is reported in the United States. A working smoke alarm can decrease your chance of dying in a home fire by nearly 50 percent. And when used together with a residential fire sprinkler system, the risk of dying in a home fire is reduced by 82 percent.

What can you and your family do to make sure you are safe? Use these fire safety tips to prepare your home and family from fires:

• Make sure you have working smoke alarms on every level of your home.

Check the batteries monthly. Replace the batteries annually. Replace the entire smoke alarm after 10 years of usage.

• Design an escape plan for your home and practice the plan at least once a year. Determine two exits from every room. Designate a meeting place outside the house where everyone can gather after exiting.

• Instruct small children about the dangers of playing with matches, lighters and any type of fire. Counsel your child about how to call for help in emergencies.

• Know how to extinguish small fires. Keep a fire extinguisher handy and know how to use it.

• Consider a fire sprinkler system. Not only do they save more lives, but can actually control a fire and reduce the average property loss by as much as two-thirds.

In fact, more than 200 local governments have enacted residential fire sprinkler ordinances. Some homeowners liken sprinklers to having their own personal "fire department" on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

When preparing your home, look beyond the aesthetics and consider the different things you can do to prevent home fires. Although residential fire sprinkler systems are a proven life-saving technology, new home buyers often opt for more visible upgrades, like better carpeting or kitchen cabinets.

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Take the chill out of buying a new refrigerator

Buying a refrigerator can be a chilling experience. When you think about it, it is a pretty big investment of time, money and effort. With so many brands and features to choose from, selecting the right appliance can be daunting. You can make it a more pleasant venture by getting

educated about the variety of options before visiting your local appliance retailer.

Size does matter

Before heading out to purchase your refrigerator, be sure to measure the space you have available. Most standard refrigerators measure about

65 to 70 inches high, 29 to 36 inches wide, and 24 to 32 inches deep. You should also decide how much space you will need inside your refrigerator to accommodate your weekly grocery list. The basic rule of thumb is to take the number of people in your household, multiply that by

five and voila, you have the number of cubic feet you should look for in a refrigerator.

Practical styles and finishes

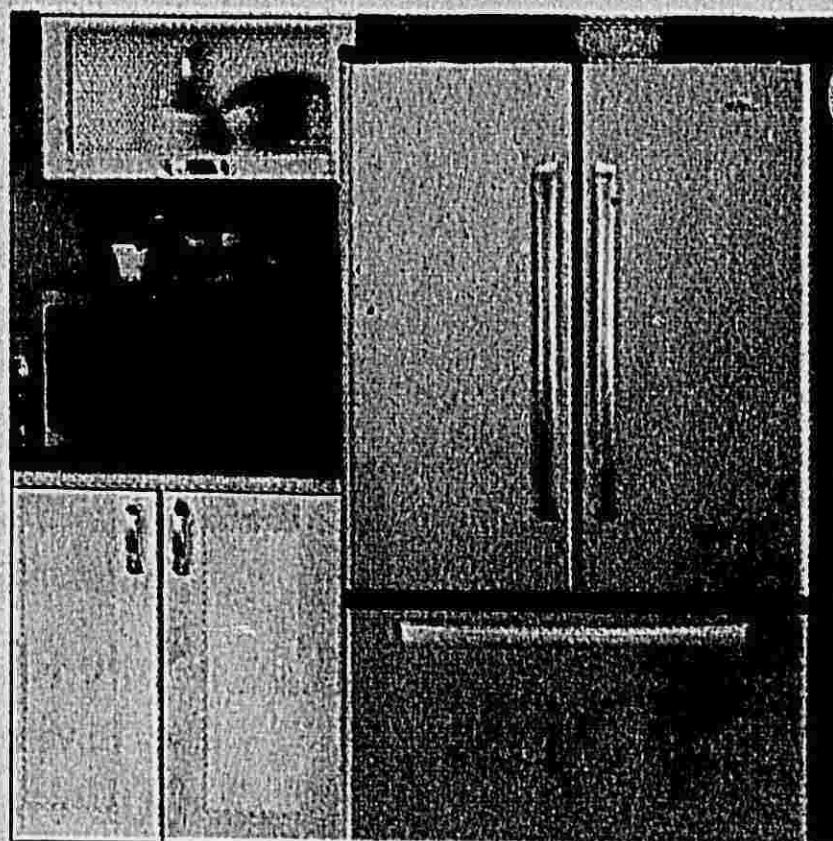
Next, decide if you are looking for a top freezer, side-by-side or bottom-freezer refrigerator. Top freezers provide a traditional look and are usually a little easier on your pocketbook. Side-by-side refrigerators are a great choice if you have depth limitations in your kitchen because these refrigerators can be as low as 24 inches deep, while other models tend to be quite a bit more. Bottom-freezer and French-door bottom-freezer refrigerators are quickly becoming the most popular options because they are not only stylish, but also put food you use most at eye level.

Once you choose the style of refrigerator, you should then consider the finish. Most models come in white, bisque, black and stainless steel. Be sure to select a finish that complements your kitchen.

Features that just make sense

Do you entertain friends and family on a regular basis? Do you like your beverages really cold? Are you looking for ice and water in your door? What about a bottom-freezer option?

These are questions you should consider before making a refrigerator purchase. No matter how many bells and whistles a refrigerator may have, make sure the refrigerator meets all your needs, providing practical features that will support your lifestyle.



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Tips for loading your refrigerator

Now that you've got your new refrigerator, get to know the different storage and space options before you start loading it. This not only maximizes the amount of food you can store, but it also may help your food stay fresher, longer. Here are some helpful tips for properly filling a refrigerator:

- Avoid overfilling. Put too much in the refrigerator and it can restrict the air flow, making your refrigerator work harder to keep the optimum temperature of 37 degrees F.

- Stow it away. Leaving produce on an open shelf causes it to dry out and deteriorate. For that newly-picked sensation, use crispers to keep fruits and vegetables fresher longer. A general rule of thumb is to set crisper controls at "high" for vegetables and at "low" for fruit.

- Keep meat moist and flavorful. Fresh meat should be stored in a meat and cheese drawer. The refrigerator width drawer helps your meat maintain its ultimate flavor and freshness levels. Once stored, remember to prepare meat within one to two days of purchase, otherwise freeze it for a longer shelf life.

- Stop the burn before it starts. As moisture evaporates from food it often changes into ice crystals, which can lead to freezer burn. To properly prepare food for frozen storage, use air, moisture- or vapor-proof packaging such as zipper-style plastic freezer bags and remove as much air as possible before sealing.

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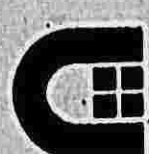
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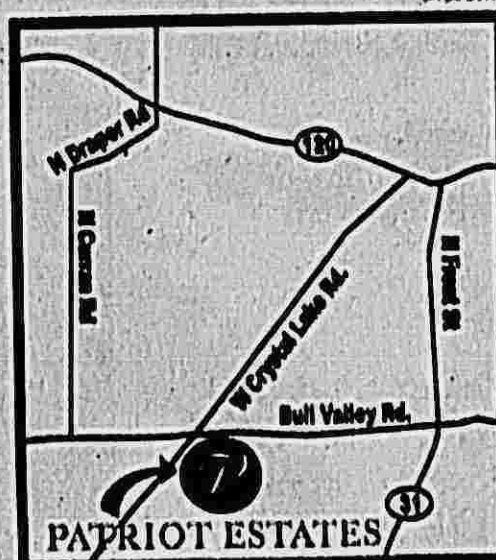
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How color affects the mood

Psychologists have suggested that color impression can account for 60 percent of the acceptance or rejection of a product or service. Color is the first thing noticed and the last thing forgotten. Similarly, the colors you choose to wear, or with which you decorate your home, can affect your mood. So choosing the right palette can be important.

But choosing color for a home is often one of the more intimidating steps for beginners. Largely it's not important to follow trends - they will come and go. Rather, choose colors that reflect your likes and personality and blend these colors together into a scheme that works.

When selecting colors, remember that each has a specific psychological value. A color can make a person feel everything from rage to tranquility. Therefore, using a high-energy color in a place that is meant for relaxation could have a negative affect.

While different shades of color hues may evoke different feelings in people and could be representative of different cultures around the world (white is used for weddings in Western societies but for funerals among traditional Chinese), in general these basic colors typically represent the following:

Blue: Warm blues, such as periwinkle and turquoise have a calming effect when used as the room's main colors. This makes them perfect for bathrooms and bedrooms. Very dark blues can cause feelings of sadness, while very light blues may come off as sterile or institutional. Darker blues are also seen as the "authority" color. People may associate them with business or law enforcement. Blue is the No. 1 choice of corporate America.

Red: Reds have been shown to raise blood pressure and heart rate. They stir up excitement and energy in a room. Red is popular for living rooms and dining rooms when

you want to encourage conversation. It could also be a good choice for an entryway if you want to make a bold first impression. However, red and pink tend to trigger, sharp emotions. Those who are already edgy may get pushed over the edge in rooms of these colors.

Yellow: An uplifting and happy color, yellow is good for kitchens and bathrooms, or small spaces that need a boost of sunshine. Yellow can feel expansive and welcoming, but it should be used in moderation since this color is the most taxing on the eyes. In some people it can cause irritability. Choose pale shades of yellow rather than vivid yellows if you are making it a main focal point of a room.

Green: Green is a color that is applicable for any room in the house. It is versatile and one of the most restful colors for the eye. It has a calming affect when used as a main component for decorating.

Orange: Hues of orange elicit excitement and energy, similar to reds. They're great for exercise rooms or where a boost of energy is needed. Some also believe they stimu-

late appetite, which is why many fast-food chains use orange as an accent color in their restaurants.

Purple: Light purples, such as lavender, can be restful like blues, but run less risk of seeming cold or sterile. Darker purples appear opulent and can provide depth as a secondary color. They are also mysterious and lend themselves well to creative spaces.

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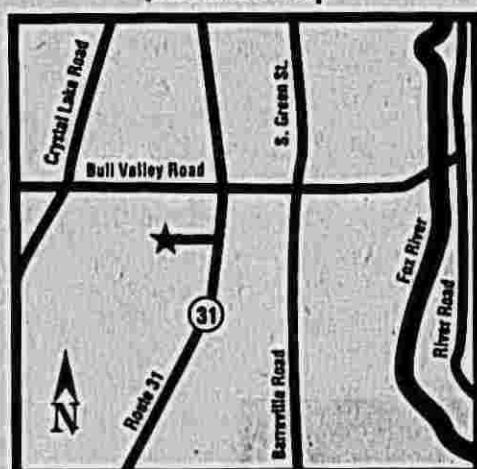
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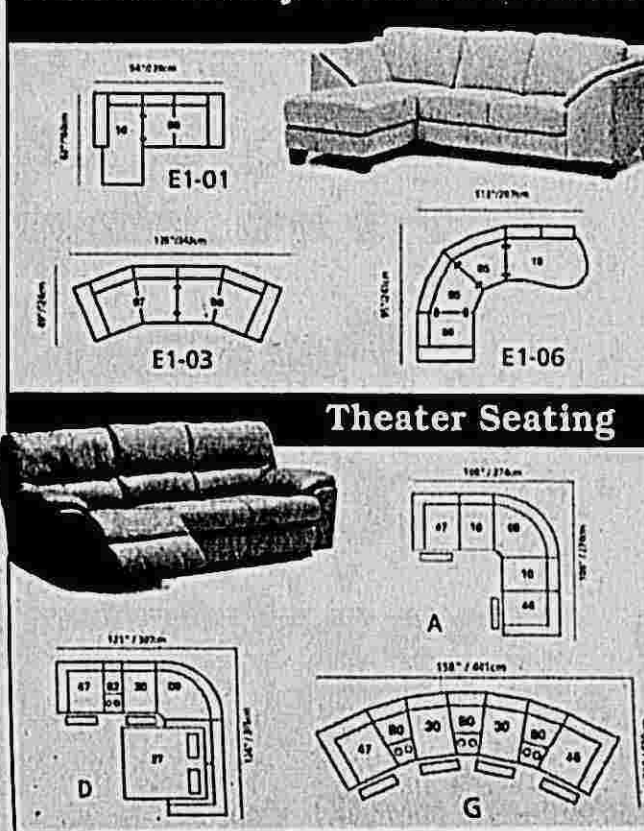
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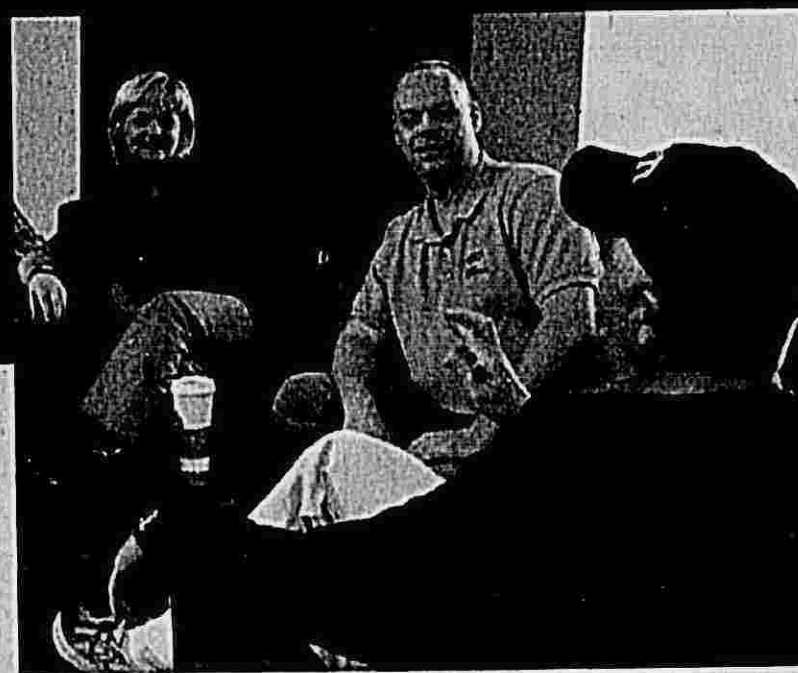
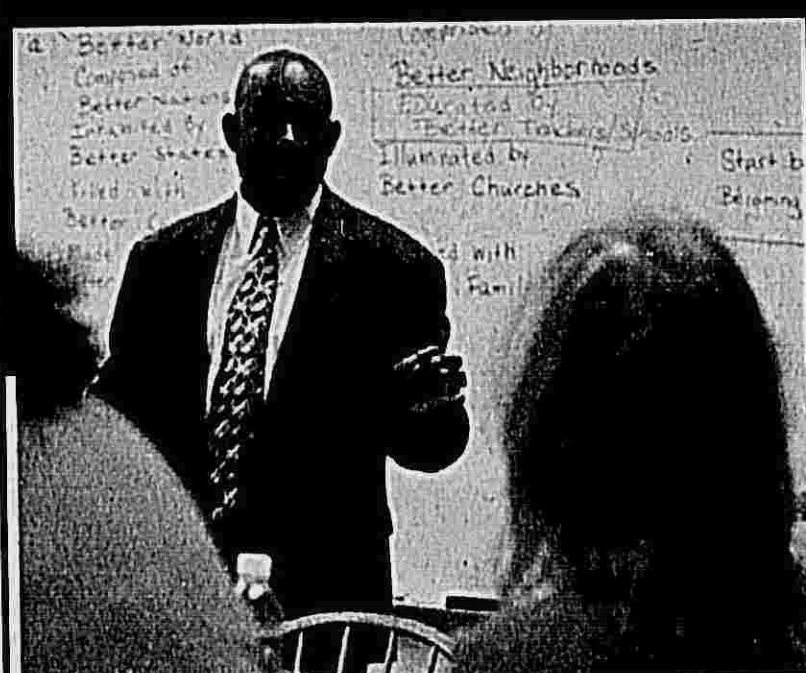
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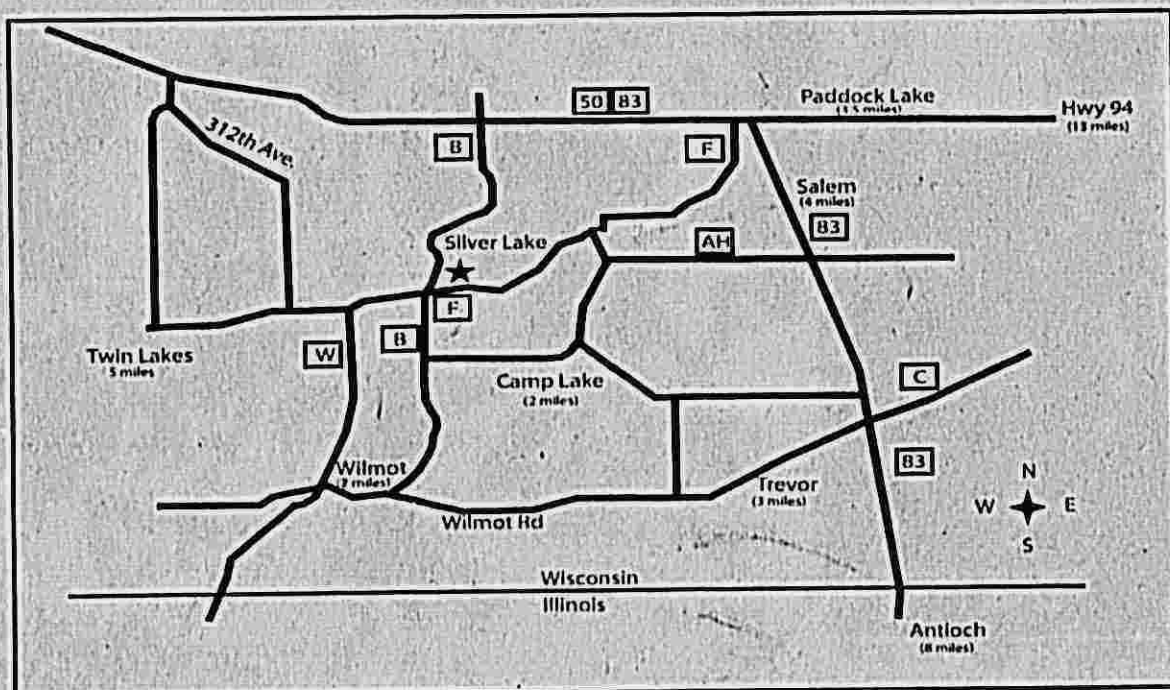
Walking into a home and being greeted by shiny hardwood flooring helps create an air of anticipation for a prospective buyer, who thinks, "If the floors are this good, the rest of the house must be high quality, too. I can't wait to see it."

Some of the advantages of hardwood include easy maintenance, durability and versatility among design schemes. Usually a dusting or sweeping, followed by a periodic damp mopping are all that's needed to keep them looking pristine. Plus, since most hardwood floors are neutral in color, they make it easy for anyone to bring in their furniture, regardless of style or color, and have it match. This isn't the case with carpeting. What's more, hardwood can last considerably longer than other types of flooring. According to the Wood Flooring Manufacturers Association, most homeowners will replace carpet after 11 years and vinyl after 20 years, while wood flooring will last the life of the building and can be refinished five to 10 (or more) times, depending on flooring conditions.

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Assessment freeze for income-qualified seniors

Application forms for the Senior Citizen Assessment Freeze are now being accepted by the Lake County Chief County Assessment Office. Forms have been mailed to all senior citizens who are receiving a Senior Homestead Exemption.

Seniors qualify for the assessment freeze if they are 65 years old, have lived in their home as their primary residence from Jan. 1, 2006 through Jan. 1, 2007, and total household income is \$50,000 or less. The application packet includes descriptions of what income is to be included as a part of the exemption application. Completed application forms are to be mailed back to the Chief County Assessment Office, 18 North County St. - 7th

Floor, Waukegan, Illinois, by July 31. If you think you qualify and did not receive a form you can call (847) 377-2050 or visit.

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For real-time traffic information, visit the www.lakecounty-passage.com above before you start your trip around the county. Information includes locations of traffic crashes, road construction and areas experiencing traffic congestion. Information also is available on Radio Station broadcasting at 1620 AM.

Lake County joining regional partners to discuss water resources

Lake County is working with regional partners to address

future water resources for a rapidly growing population. As the suburbs of Chicago continue to grow with new business and housing developments, the depletion of groundwater is a growing concern. Lake County will work with a Regional Water Supply Planning Group (RWSPG) organized by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP). Funding for the three-year regional effort is being provided by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

The Regional Water Supply Planning Group will focus on the area's deep bedrock aquifer and the Fox River Basin's shallow bedrock aquifer, which supply water to homes and businesses. In addition, the planning group will consider the

allocation of Lake Michigan water on current and potential users. For more information, visit the Lake County Web site at www.co.lake.il.us/planning/support/projects/projects_Water_Supply.as

Free online mapping technology

Residents can now access a birds-eye view of their properties with aerial photography, which was updated in the spring 2006. Additionally, selected monument and benchmark data is now available for Professional Land Surveyors. Lake County's interactive Geographic Information System (GIS) applications comprise the most advanced online mapping system in the entire region. The

system, searchable by Property Index Number (PIN) or address, offers mapped wetlands, floodplains and other environmental features, topography, taxing districts, political boundaries and property assessment information available in a convenient report format. Users can print these maps and property reports at no charge. Residents and businesses can reach the Department of Planning, Building and Development at 847-377-2600.

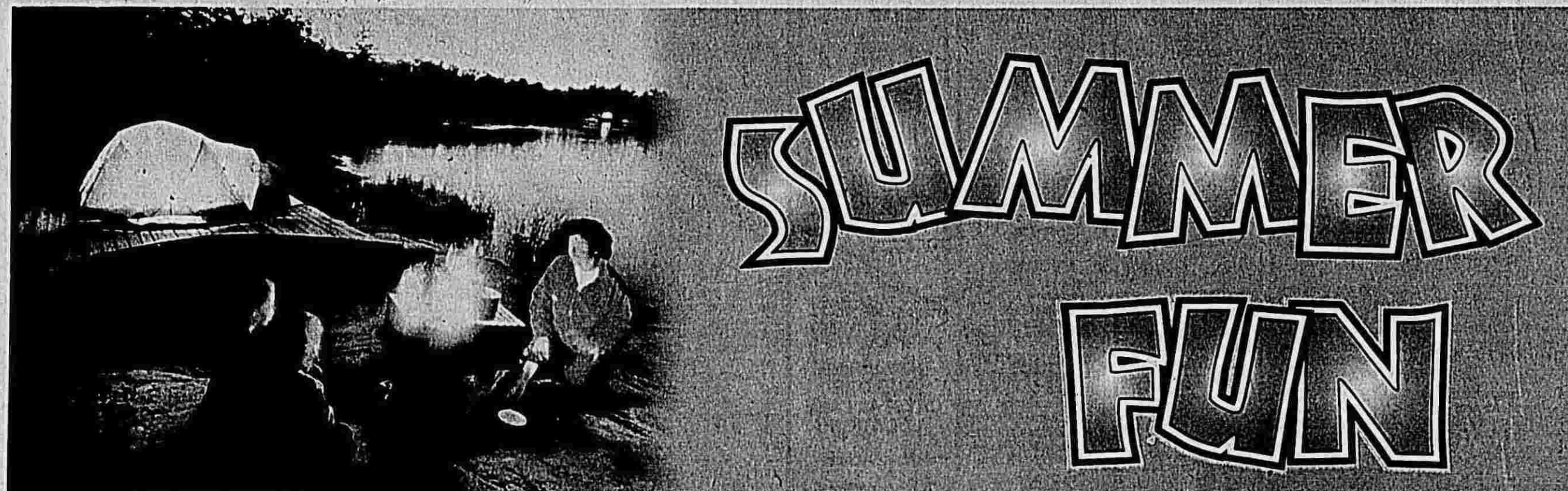
Additional courtroom for state's busiest circuit

Felony cases in Lake County increased 23 percent since 2000. In 2006, the existing four felony courtrooms handled 5,305 cases making Lake County criminal courtrooms the busiest in Illinois.

The first new felony courtroom since 1998 opened this spring. The new courtroom will relieve overcrowding and speed up justice. Staffing the new courtroom requires hiring three additional assistant state's attorneys, two assistant public defenders and one new probation officer.

Health Department re-activates West Nile Virus Hotline

The Health Department has re-activated the West Nile virus hotline for county residents to report dead birds and areas of stagnant water, which are conducive for mosquito breeding, or to obtain more information on the signs and symptoms of West Nile encephalitis. The West Nile virus hotline number is (847) 377-8300.



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Agriculture in the classroom program wraps up record school year

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The Lake County Farm Bureau's Agriculture in the Classroom program concluded presentations for the 2006-07 school year.

The Agriculture in the Classroom's team of presenters were able to present to 10,640 students in 424 classrooms over the course of the 2006-07 school year. The presenters who visit classrooms for the AITC program have a diverse background that provides a blend of agricultural experience with teaching experience, which in turn allows the students who participate in the program to learn about the many important roles that agriculture plays in the everyday lives, even if they are not directly

exposed to it every day.

In addition to offering presentations for students in Lake County, the Agriculture in the Classroom program also provides other resources for area teachers to utilize each school year as well.

In conjunction with the classroom presentations who are given classrooms around Lake County, the AITC program also provides free learning materials that are available for all teachers to use. These learning materials include agriculture magazine, which are mini magazines that are available on 20 different agricultural topics. Agriculture magazine are each aligned with separate Illinois Learning Standards, and are available in packs of 30 for use by all Lake County

teachers. In addition to agriculture magazines, the AITC program also has a variety of educational videos and books that teachers can check out for use in their classrooms. Other more age-specific resources are available for Lake County teachers as well.

Another resource that is offered to Lake County teachers, through the AITC program are classroom grants. The Lake County Farm Bureau awards grants these to teachers each year who incorporate agriculture into their curriculum. The funding provided by the Agriculture in the Classroom grants can be used to supply books, classroom supplies, project supplies, and any other materials as long as the

awarded amounts are used to include agriculture into what the students are learning. This past school year the Lake County Farm Bureau awarded nine \$250 grants to area teachers. These grants were used to fund such things as school grants and classroom activities that assimilate agriculture into the classroom's pre-existing curriculum.

The Lake County Farm Bureau's Agriculture in the Classroom program also offers a bi-annual Ag Expo event, which is a free field trip that is offered to all third and fourth grade classes in Lake County. The Ag Expo is a three-day event that introduces students to a variety of agriculturally related topics. Some of the topics include vegetables, farm animals,

nutrition, dairy and farm machinery. More than 2,000 third and fourth grade students from numerous schools across the county attended the Ag Expo this past year.

The Agriculture in the

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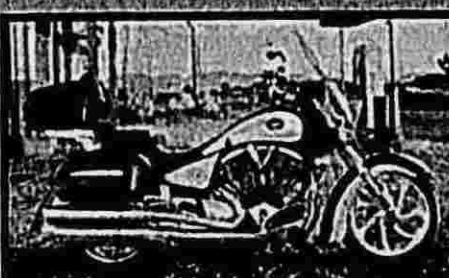
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<p>SPRING GROVE 2 1-acre lot, Preservation Oaks II Subdivision, \$139,000 ea. 815-675-2400</p> <p>TENNESSEE LAKE BARGAIN 1+ Acre - \$29,900 FREE Pontoon Boat! Beautifully wooded parcel w/ access to Jimmy Houston, endorsed fishing lake! Private lakefront community with free boat slips. Paved roads, utilities, soils tested. LAKE-FRONT available. Excellent financing. Call Now! 1-888-792-5253 ext. 1282</p> <p>Mobile Homes For Sale 6500</p> <p>Be A Part of It! Enjoy quiet country living just minutes from downtown Crystal Lake. In our friendly close knit community. One and two bedroom homes available now. From handyman special to fully furnished and ready to move in, we're sure to have something that's right for you! For more information about our community or listings call: 615-459-6033</p> <p>Waterfront Property 6515</p> <p>Chain O'Lakes (Pistakee Lake) 11/2 Condo, 2 bd., ba, trpl, details/appl. 630-445-9931, \$199,500</p> <p>Fox Lake-Lakefront 11/2 Condo, 2 bd., ba, trpl, details/appl. 630-445-9931, \$199,500</p> <p>Wisconsin Property 6525</p> <p>Vilas County, Northwoods hwy off water. New construction, 3 bdrm 2 bath. Walk out bsmt. 3 acres. \$249,000 815-739-1316</p> <p>7000 Real Estate for Rent</p> <p>To Share 7200</p> <p>WEST WONDER LAKE near beach, Large home, sep. apt. \$580/mo incl util. NO PETS. 815-653-6256</p> <p>Apartment, Unfurnished 7250</p> <p>FOX LAKE 2 bdrm, across from Metro station. All new. No pets. \$795 - 815-403-9558</p> <p>FOX LAKE Bright very spacious 1 bdrm with dining, incs A/C, storage & heat. Laundry in bldg \$695/mo. No pets. Agent owned. 815-814-3348</p>	<p>Apartment, Unfurnished 7250</p> <p>NORTH CHICAGO Very Large 4 Bdrm, \$875. Month FREE! Sec 8 OK. 847-910-2789</p> <p>Condos/Townhomes For Rent 7300</p> <p>GURNEE TH 2 bdrm, 2.5 bath, near 94-shopping, trpl, W/D. Patio, great open space. \$1200/mo + sec. 847-226-5608</p> <p>ROUND LAKE SOUTH OF RT 120 Like New T.H. 3bdrm., 2.5 bath, 2.5 car gar., maintenance free, walking trail, Graylake School Dist. \$1,350/mo. Avail. 8/6 View at: www.waltonrealty.com or call 847-877-2314</p> <p>Duplexes For Rent 7350</p> <p>NEW TODAY!</p> <p>Beach Park-Very nice ranch lots of space 3bdrm 2ba. Family rm, laundry c/a lrg fenced yard. +patio 1c. \$1250/mo+util. 847-246-1573</p> <p>FOX LAKE-LAKEFRONT Live on Minola Bay! Attractive 1BR. Quiet Area. Gas for Heat/Water/Stone Incl. No Pets/Smoking. \$725/mo 847-587-9234</p> <p>Houses For Rent 7400</p> <p>Antioch Oakwood Knolls like new 3 bdrm, 2 bath 1 1/2 level with 2.5 car gar. W/D, C/A, shed & fenced landscaped yard. Land Management Prop (815) 678-4334</p> <p>Beach Park-Immed. Occ. 1 1/2 Yrs. Old, 3BR, 2.5BA, 2 Car Gar., Large Backyard. \$1450/mo 847-256-8351</p> <p>FOX LAKE Pistakee Lakefront, 2 bdrm, 1 bath, appl. pier, \$900/mo, avail now. 312-504-3441</p> <p>Fox Lake-Charming Minola Bay LAKEFRONT 2bdrm, A/C, huge deck w/ hot tub, pier and boatlift avail. walk to METRA \$1200+sec. 312-420-0197</p> <p>FOX LAKE-Lakefront 4 bdrm, on Minola Bay, 3ba, a/c, wood stove, huge fin. bsmt, 2c. gar. pier & boatlift avail. Walk to Metra \$1700+sec. 312-420-0197</p> <p>GENOA CITY, WI Rent to own 4 bdrm 2 bath, \$1375 mo + dep. 847-477-6679</p> <p>MCHENRY Fox Riverfront with pier, 4 bdrm, 3 bath. Rent with possible option \$1900 mo 815-690-7502</p>	<p>Houses For Rent 7400</p> <p>Round Lake Beach-3BR, 2.5BA, Fin. Bsmt., 2 Car Garage, Fenced Yard. \$1275/mo 847-722-8706</p> <p>Twinn Lakes WI-Newer subd., fresh, clean 3 bdrm, 2 full baths, bsmt, 2c. Gar. c/a. Deck appl. \$1230 262-208-1413</p> <p>Comm. Property For Rent 7500</p> <p>FOX LAKE RT 12 & 59 14,000 sq. ft. starting at \$75/mo. Outside Storage \$25/mo. 847-587-7008</p> <p>Industrial/Commercial SPACE FOR RENT 1500 sq. ft. 208/230 3 phase, 12x12 office, 11x14 OH door, bathroom, 683 E. Center St., Graylake Call Wayne 847-223-8877 or 847-514-9218</p> <p>Wadsworth- Available now 2 bays, approx 1200 sq. ft. W/ 10x12 overhead doors separate or combined. Yard Storage also avail. Contact 847-731-8800</p> <p>Retail/Office Space For Rent 7550</p> <p>GRAYSLAKE Downtown storefront, 2000 sq. ft. Newly remod. \$1950/mo. Call 847-274-5476</p> <p>MUNDELEIN Downtown 1000 sq. ft. \$1050/mo. 1900 sq. ft. \$1850/mo, available now! 847-863-5495</p> <p>Legals 8100</p> <p>STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF LAKE</p> <p>IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LAKE COUNTY IN PROBATE</p> <p>IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY KATHRYN DAVIS, DECEASED</p> <p>NO 07 P 649 CLAIM NOTICE</p> <p>NOTICE IS GIVEN OF THE DEATH OF MARY KATHRYN DAVIS OF Wauconda, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on June 22, 2007, to HUGH M. DAVIS, III of 104 Charlotte Drive, Cary, IL 60013 and WILLIAM LUDWIG DAVIS of 6908 Hillcrest Drive, Crystal Lake, IL 60012 whose attorney is James W. Kaiser, Esq., 121 East Liberty Street STE 3, Wauconda, IL 60084.</p> <p>Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court at 17 N. County Street, Waukegan, IL or with the representative, or both, within six (6) months from the date of issuance of letters and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed. (Published in the Wauconda Journal, June 29, July 6 & 13, 2007.)</p> <p>Public Notice</p> <p>Affordable Self Storage will dispose of goods for nonpayment of rent from unit #101 belonging to Charles Scharlow consisting of various household goods.</p> <p>Disposal of the items will take place at Affordable Self Storage 133 S. Rt. 12 Fox Lake, IL on Saturday, July 21, 2007 at 10:00 am. (Published in the Fox Lake Journal, July 6 & 13, 2007)</p> <p>Public Notice</p> <p>Unit 506 belonging to Barry Kamensky. Contents consist of household items and misc. boxes.</p> <p>Unit 109 belonging to Pierson H. & C. Contents consist of electric motors and equipment, heat duct supplies, walking machines, and misc. tools.</p> <p>Outside Unit 29 belonging to Pierson H. & C. Contents consist of older Vol. unteer Camper Trailer.</p> <p>Unit 211 belonging to Ronald Chapman. Contents consist of clothes, vacuum, ladders, household items, and misc. boxes.</p> <p>Unit 504 belonging to Ronald Chapman. Contents consist of washer & dryer, couch, bed frames, mattresses, space heater, household items, and misc. boxes.</p> <p>Unit 308 belonging to Joseph Gray. Contents consist of clothes, old bike, misc. household items, and misc. boxes.</p> <p>Unit 702 belonging to Kevin Smith. Contents consist of gas dryer, washer, swing, bikes, car door, stereo speakers, lawn mower, misc. kids toys, and misc. furniture items.</p> <p>Sale will take place on the premises on Saturday, July 14, 2007 at 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. We reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Not responsible for accidents.</p> <p>ROGER BROTHERS, 35865 N. Rt. 45, Lake Villa, IL 60046 Telephone: 847-223-2400 (Published in the Lake County Journals, June 29 & July 6, 2007.)</p> <p>Public Notice</p> <p>Affordable Self Storage</p> <p>Affordable Self Storage will dispose of goods for nonpayment of rent from unit #32 belonging to Lisa Berzek consisting of various household goods.</p> <p>Disposal of the items will take place at Affordable Self Storage 133 S. Rt. 12 Fox Lake, IL on Saturday, July 21, 2007 at 10:00 am. (Published in the Fox Lake Journal, July 6 & 13, 2007)</p> <p>Public Notice</p> <p>LAKE VILLA TOWNSHIP</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Lake Villa Township Clerk at 37908 N. Fairfield Road, Lake Villa, Illinois 60046 until 9:00 am on July 17, 2007 for furnishing the following equipment:</p> <p>59 GROSS, 56 NET HORSEPOWER 1,750-POUND RATED OPERATING CAPACITY SKID STEER LOADER</p> <p>Proposals shall be made on forms furnished by the Lake Villa Township and shall be addressed to Daniel Venturi Supervisor, 37908 N. Fairfield Road, Lake Villa, Illinois 60046 and shall be marked "Equipment Proposal - Letting of July 17, 2007, Lake Villa Township". Further information regarding the letting may be obtained by contacting the Supervisor at 847-356-2116. The Township in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.</p> <p>By Order of Daniel Venturi Supervisor Lake Villa Township (Published in the Lake Villa / Lindenhurst Journal, July 6, 2007.)</p> <p>Assumed Name 8200</p> <p>Public Notice</p> <p>ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME APPLICATION</p> <p>Name of Business: C.A. Velasquez Co. Nature/Purpose: Cleaning Service Address(es) where business is to be conducted or transacted in this county: 615 E. High St., Mundelein, IL 60060, 847-393-7907</p> <p>Name(s) and post office or residence address(es) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting business: Carlos A. Velasquez, 615 E. 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Top towing tips for trouble-free travel

Every year millions of Americans take to the roads with their trailers in tow. Whether you're towing a boat, a horse or a houseful of furniture, driving with a trailer presents challenges to both the driver and the tow vehicle. Here are the top tips from hauling experts on how to keep your travel trouble free.

Be cool

Towing season is usually during the summer months with temperatures regularly between 80 to 120 degrees. Keeping your tow vehicle's fluids cool is critical to keep the engine from overheating or worse. You may want to upgrade to a larger radiator to keep those fluids cool.

Engine temperatures can more easily and inexpensively be reduced by adding a coolant additive to your radiator. These products decrease the surface temperature of water in the radiator to improve heat transfer and therefore lower temperatures. One of the more popular coolant additives, Purple Ice, has been proven to reduce engine temperatures as much as 30 degrees.

Another easy way to keep things cool is by upgrading

motor oil. Premium synthetic motor oils typically have a lower coefficient of friction and better heat transfer than conventional motor oils. For instance, in independent tests using Royal Purple's high performance motor oil reduced engine temperatures as much as 12 percent.

Remain level-headed

Trailers have a tendency to load down the rear of a tow vehicle. As the vehicle rocks further back, the dynamics of the vehicle change. This means that the tow vehicle will not stop, steer, and handle as well as it does when it's not towing something. Investing in overload springs, air bags and/or a weight distributing hitch will help the tow vehicle ride level; which will translate into a safer and better ride.

Breathe deep

During the life of your engine, thousands of cubic feet of air will pass through the cylinders. Dust and other material in the engine can cause excessive wear and operating problems. It's imperative that you keep air filters clean by regularly replacing them. To further enhance performance, you

may want to consider upgrading to a high performance air filter or complete intake system. The relatively low cost of a high performance filter and ease of installation (about 5 minutes) makes upgrading a no-brainer.

Don't go bald or flat

Whether towing or not, checking the condition of your tires and tire pressure is vital. Tires that are under-inflated or over-inflated may wear out prematurely or potentially blow out and cause an accident. Ideally, tire pressure should be checked every time you fill up your gas tank. By keeping your tires properly inflated, you'll also help reduce fuel consumption and increase your safety while towing. The U.S. Energy Department reports that under-inflated tires can actually increase fuel consumption by up to 6 percent.

Don't strip (a gear)

Two components that take the most abuse and are most neglected in tow vehicles are the transmission and differential. In most cases, neither is adequately cooled and both undergo extreme pressure in towing conditions. Keeping

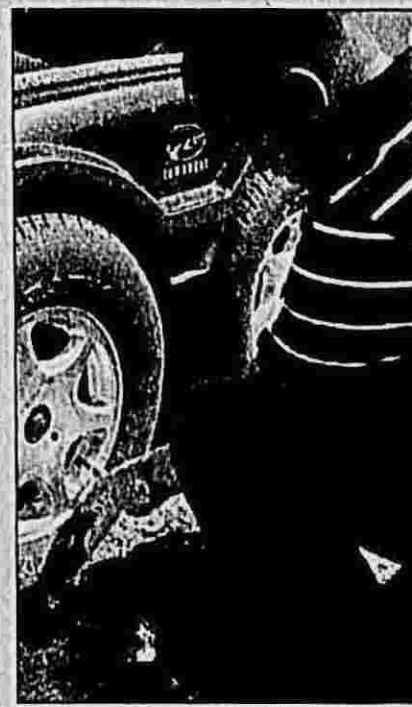
the fluids cool is vital for a healthy transmission. The cheapest and easiest solution is upgrading fluids to high quality synthetics.

Consider hardware and software upgrades

Aftermarket manufacturers produce a wide variety of parts from brakes to computer chips that can dramatically improve the performance of your tow vehicle and make towing easier. Upgrading brakes with a larger rotor or better caliper will help slow or stop everything quicker. Premium brake pads that dissipate heat also improve stopping. Aftermarket exhaust systems increase exhaust flow and reduce backpressure for increased torque. Finally, engine management software that optimizes engine performance is available from a variety of manufacturers.

Don't forget to brush

Following good maintenance procedure is a lot like brushing your teeth. Failure to do so can cause a lot of pain and unnecessary expense. Checking all of the fluid levels, the air filter and regularly replace the fuel filter will keep the vital compo-



nents clean and clear of debris. Cleaning windows and mirrors will reduce glare and make the trip a safer and easier for you and your eyes. It's also a good time to consider adding trailer mirrors which dramatically improve rear-view visibility. And don't forget to check your trailer's brake fluid, electrical wiring and tires. Make sure the lights work properly and everything is in working order.

Each of these seven tips will improve your towing experience and help ensure a trouble-free ride.

A sports car in disguise

Designed for a person seeking dynamic style and performance

With its aggressive and performance-oriented styling, a new "crossover SUV" successfully combines vibrant design and innovative technology for the driver seeking both a fun and functional car. This CUV—an automobile that looks like an SUV but is built on a car-based frame—primarily appeals to drivers in their early 30s, whose responsibilities and functional needs have changed but who don't want to leave behind the person they've always been—someone who enjoys driving and values style.

The 2008 Nissan Rogue comes in two models, Rogue S and Rogue SL, each with a standard 2.5-liter, 4-cylinder engine, Nissan's advanced Xtronic CVT (Continuously Variable Transmission), Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC) and 4-wheel disc brakes with Anti-lock Braking System (ABS).

"The Rogue name was chosen to reflect its independence-oriented positioning, though we certainly believe that all buyers, regardless of age or life stage, will positively respond to Rogue's fun-to-drive, all-weather performance and aggressive styling," said Bill Bosley, vice president and general manager, Nissan Division.

Fuel efficiency & performance

In an age of soaring gas prices, Xtronic CVT optimizes the car's engine speeds so it provides the most ideal performance and efficiency.

Enhanced technology

Some of the new technology that is available includes an Intelligent Key, a Bluetooth hands-free phone system, steering wheel-mounted controls, and available Bose-developed audio system with AUX input and MP3 playback.

The vehicle features available Xenon headlights, power-sliding glass sunroof and wheel-mounted paddle shifters. The crossover's interior, like its exterior, is designed to stand out in its class with the sophisticated integration of a cockpitlike driver's space and exceptional utility. Leather-appointed surfaces and heated front seats and mirrors are also available.

Functionality

The crossover's roomy cargo area has a number of available features, including a unique cargo organizer. When needed, the organizer pops up with a one-touch open switch from its hidden space below the flat cargo floor. Additional features designed to provide more utility in the car include an oversized glove box with partition and fold-flat front passenger seat.



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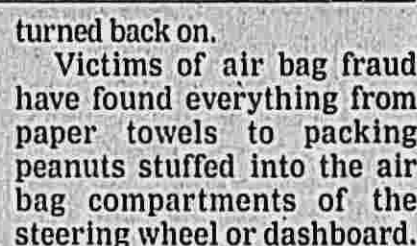
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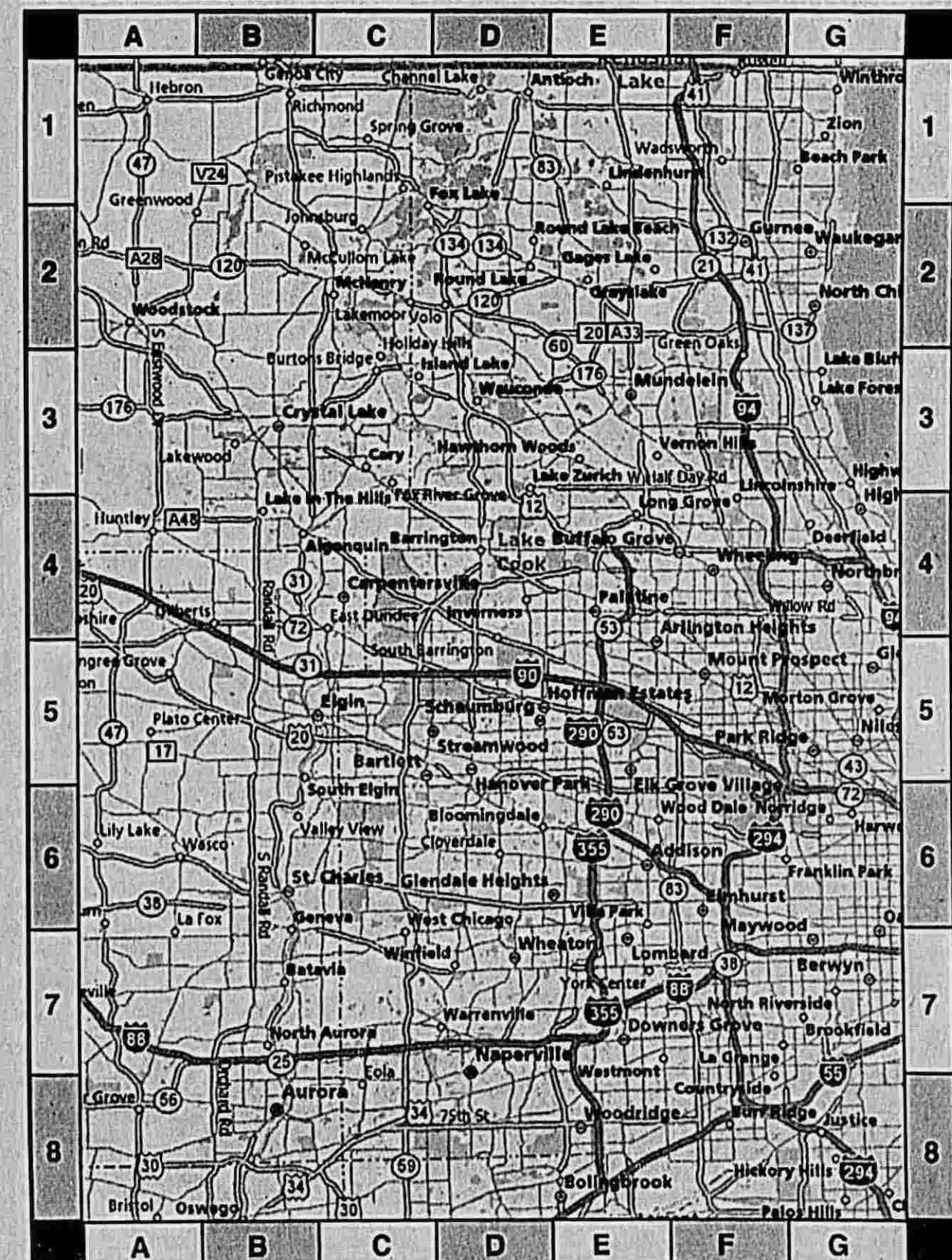


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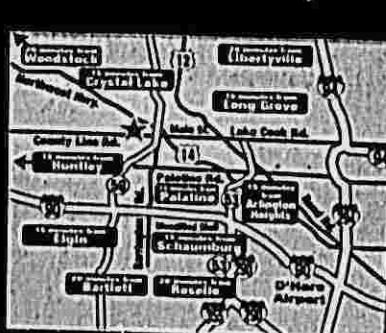
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ART FESTIVAL: Linconshire Art Festival will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 7 and 8 at Lincolnshire's Village Green.

AMERICAN IDOL: Taylor Hicks will perform at 7:30 p.m. on July 12 at Genesee Theatre. Tickets for the concert cost \$32.50 and \$39.50.

SUMMER SCOOP: Scoopin' Genesee, a classic car show, will be July 13 and 14 in downtown Waukegan.

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Movie reviews

"Transformers" ☆☆

• Movie critic Jeffrey Westhoff says the style of director Michael Bay, along with boring computer-generated special effects, stops "Transformers" from being a success.

"License to Wed" ★

• Lack of character development and plot make "License to Wed" a disappointing comedy, says movie critic Jeffrey Westhoff.

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Summer vacation

This week in Leslie Werner's online column, she describes how a family vacation turned into an impromptu re-enactment of the American Revolution. To read the article, go to LakeCountyJournals.com and click "columnists."



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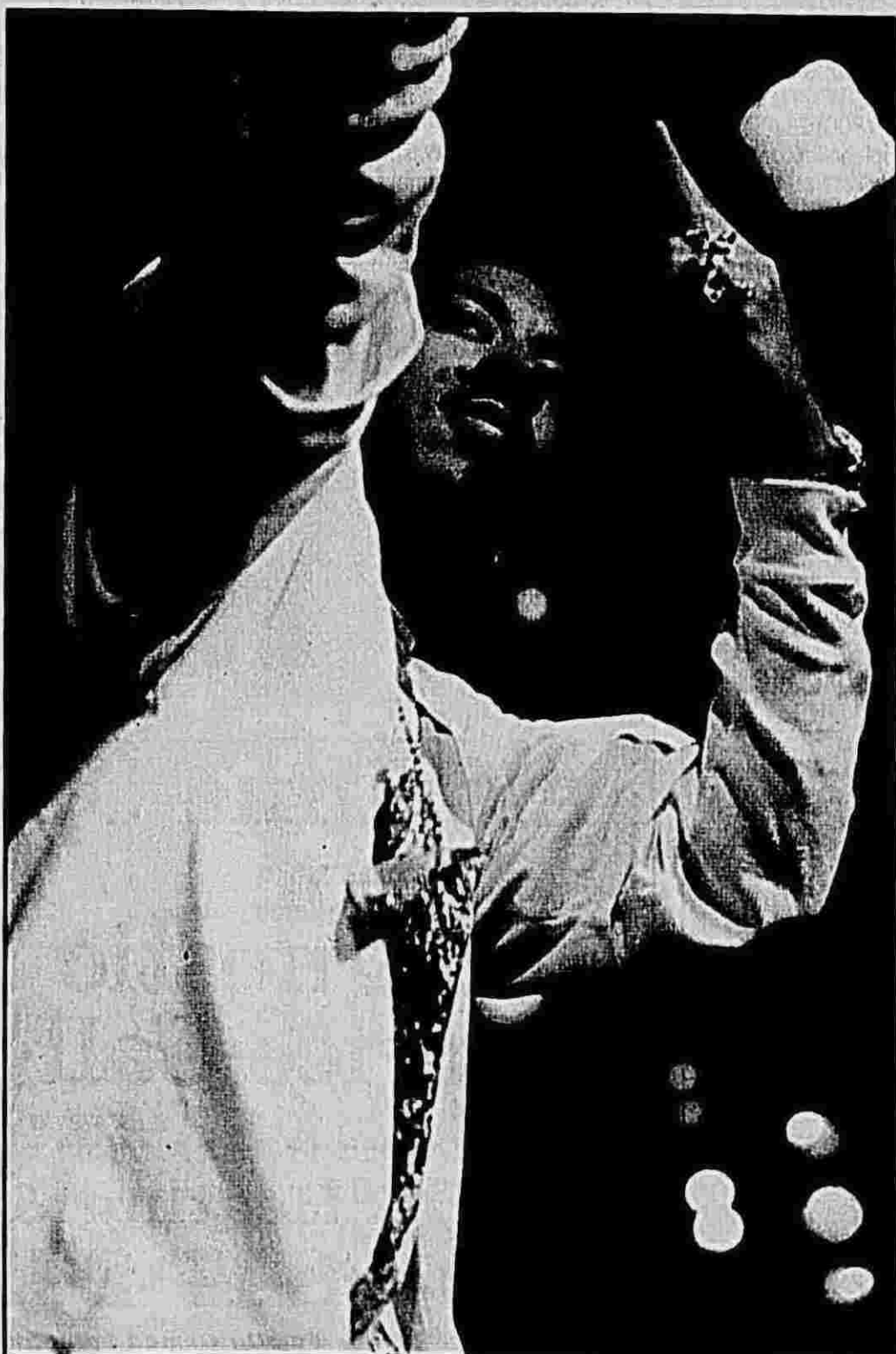
>> OnStage

'Criminal Hearts'

Two women form an unlikely bond in "Criminal Hearts," on stage now at Apple-Tree Theatre.

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Those summer nights



Ludacris rocks Summerfest in Milwaukee July 1 as he performs to the crowd at the Marcus Amphitheater in Milwaukee.

Music acts draw large crowds at Summerfest

By JESSICA JACOBSEN
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Milwaukee has been a city known for its breweries. But for 11 days out of the year, the breweries are overshadowed by one of the largest music festivals in America - Summerfest.

This year marks the 40th year of Summerfest. Starting June 28, people from near and far have gathered in the Brew City for food, fun and, of course, music. The festival ends July 8.

Different shops line the walkways at the festival, including food booths and clothing shops. One booth on hand is Air Grafix, a company that makes airbrushed T-shirts.

"We just like to come here because it's good business for us," Miguel Aburto, an employee with Air Grafix, said. "And we like the festival."

Aburto and Air Grafix aren't the only ones who like the festival. Erin Enters, of Milwaukee, does as well.

"I love Summerfest, I love the atmosphere, I love the people in Wisconsin, and I love the music," Enters said.

Enters attended the Ludacris concert on July 1 with friends Sean Gallitz and Andre Phillips.

Gallitz also is from Milwaukee and has attended and worked at Summerfest in the past.

"I work in D.C. every summer, and I came home Friday ... and I came home just for Summerfest," Gallitz said.

Phillips, from Minneapolis, attended the festival for the first time and had good things to say about Milwaukee and the festival.

"It's like [Minnesota's] state fair ... minus a couple of big names," he said. "It's cool. I like the city of Milwaukee

Time to celebrate

• Many more bands are set to perform at Summerfest, but for those looking to celebrate the festival's 40th Anniversary, the official celebration will be July 6 with Daughtry headlining at the Marcus Amphitheater. Summerfest continues until July 8.

• For more information about Summerfest, call Milwaukee World Festival Inc. at (414) 273-2680, or visit www.summerfest.com.

so far."

With it being the festival's 40th year, Enters said, she noticed a change compared to other years.

"It's so much more busy," she said. "It's never ever been this busy."

Although Enters said she enjoys her time at Summerfest, she does want the organization to do more than just provide entertainment for people.

"I just wish Summerfest would raise more money for the community and Milwaukee as a city rather than just Summerfest," she said. "Because there are so many people here that I think there is great potential to raise and benefit our entire community."

Milwaukee shakes its money maker

With the many acts at Summerfest this year, patrons have their pick. For hundreds of people, that pick was Ludacris.

A hip-hop artist who has produced many top hits and albums, Ludacris had fans whose ages ranged from young children to adults.

As he took the stage, the crowd cheered and screamed. Early in the concert, Ludacris thanked his true fans for coming out to support him.

To show his appreciation, the Illinois-born rapper performed some of the songs that were popular early in his career. These included his first single, "What's Your Fantasy," and "Area Codes."

Dan Schlax, of Springfield, Wis., enjoyed Ludacris' performance and combination of his old and new hits. "It's the best concert I've ever been to," he said.

Ludacris also pleased his fans by performing parts that he has sung in other artists' songs, but that are still widely celebrated by his fans. These included "Glamorous" by Fergie and "Yeah!" by Usher and featuring Lil' John.

Ludacris' energy on stage helped get the crowd pumped, especially when he reached out to the audience and asked for help to put a stop to violence because, he said, hip-hop music often has been associated with violence. As he said this, crowd members cheered.

Throughout the concert, it was hard to tell whether fans had a favorite. But two songs seemed to stand out as the biggest crowd pleasers. One of those, "Stand Up," actually got fans sitting down to jump to their feet.

The other song that seemed to get the most dancers was Ludacris' first release from his latest album, "Release Therapy." When the fans heard the tune to "Money Maker," you could see a large portion of fans dancing.

When the concert ended and the hundreds of fans filed out of the Marcus Amphitheater, you could see the joy and excitement they got from hearing Ludacris perform.



Lil' Fate raps with Ludacris during a concert July 1 at Summerfest. Ludacris headlined the show at the Marcus Amphitheater in Milwaukee and sang some of his major hits such as "Stand Up" and "Money Maker."

INSIDE SPORTS



Kevin Kaduk

>> Views

According to pro sports columnist Kevin Kaduk, newly minted Chicago Bull Joakim Noah might have looked foolish on draft day, but the real judging of this player shouldn't take place until he gets on the court during the next NBA season.

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>> PrepSports

Slam dunk

Winter might be far away, but it's already basketball season for plenty of prep players. Lake County teams competed in last weekend's Zion-Benton Basketball Shootout.

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>> QuickHitters

Athletic spotlight

Mundelein pitcher Justin Piasecki threw a complete game to win against Grayslake, while Grayslake batter Kurt Schmidt went 2-for-4.

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>> GameOfTheWeek

Do or die time

Can Ditka's new team make it two championships in a row? First the Rush will have to go through the Los Angeles Avengers on Monday, July 9.

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>> DiningOut



Sandy Bressner - sbressner@nwnewsgroup.com

Cathy Knight (seated) chats with Lisa Mulvaney-Nelson at the new Prairie Croissant Cafe in the shops of Station Square in Grayslake. See the story on page 3B.

Out & About



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MOTHER-DAUGHTER WORKSHOP- Aug. 5. Create an art project with your mother or daughter while learning about all of the wonderful artists in our exhibitions.
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at 7 p.m. on through July 14. Buy tickets online at www.amebadance.org. Gala Concert (reception and concert) is on July 13. Doors open at 4 p.m.; concert is at 7 p.m.

LINCOLNSHIRE ART FESTIVAL- From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 7 and 8 in Lincolnshire. Admission is free. The event will take place at Lincolnshire's Village Green. A children's art activity center, live jazz, festival foodstuffs and more will take place.

SPECIAL EVENTS

WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT'S CULTURAL DIVISION- The Bowen Heritage Circle class will take place from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the main room at Lilac Cottage, 1911 N. Sheridan Road, in Waukegan. Offering a Plastic Bag Holder Basket class on July 10 and 17. For more information, call Jack Benny Center for the Arts at (847) 360-4740, stop by 39 Jack Benny Dr.,

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VAUDEVILLE UNDERGROUND- Featuring: Vaudeville in the Parks: Summer 2007, three contemporary variety shows. For more information, call (773) 782-9471 or visit christopher@voiceofthecity.org.
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Palmer Square, "Palmer Square Boulevard Festival," 2150 N. Kedzie Ave., in Chicago, from 2 to 5 p.m. on Aug. 11 and 12.
Haas Park, 2402 N. Washtenaw Ave., in Chicago, September, 2007, date/time to be determined.

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charge-by-phone at (312) 559-1212 or visit www.ticketmaster.com. Featuring: Taylor Hicks at 7:30 p.m. on July 12. Tickets, \$32.50 and \$39.50.

Thomas and Friends live on stage at 4 and 7 p.m. on July 17. Tickets: \$18, \$25, \$30 and VIP seating \$40. Groups of 10 or more call (847) 406-3155 to receive a special discount.

Freestyle Frenzy featuring Stevie B, Cynthia, Cover girls, Johnny O. TKA/K7 and George Lamond. Concert is at 8 p.m. on July 20. Tickets on sale, \$30, \$40, \$50 with a limited number of orchestra pit seats for \$65.

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Like Patton Oswalt's animated character Remy from "Ratatouille," Jacque Shannon-McNulty, Scott McNulty and John HUNDRIESER have discerning palates.

The trio opened Prairie Croissant Café at Station Square at Prairie Crossing, along Harris Road. Prairie Croissant Café is described on its Web site as "an organic, fair-trade coffee shop that offers simple, natural, gourmet fare in the French café tradition."

Jacque and Scott know a bit about France – the couple lived there for two years.

Jacque and Scott have been married for 13 years and met at Illinois

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State University. She has been a stay-at-home mom for the past nine years, taking care of the couple's three girls, Ania 9, Maya 7, and Fiona, 5. The pair recently moved from Oak Park and bought a home in Prairie Crossing.



Sandy Bressner - sbressner@nwnewsgroup.com
John HUNDRIESER, Jacque Shannon-McNulty and Scott McNulty opened their Prairie Croissant Café a little more than two weeks ago.

"We've been searching for an environment that's natural and freer and positive for the kids," Jacque said. "We found that in Prairie Crossing and fell in love with it. It's a breath

of fresh air – literally."

Through his work, John has been able to travel and lived in England and India. He wanted the coffee shop to be "a business to be proud of."

"We've worked to get things at the highest quality," he said.

The café has the warm and familiar ambiance that most coffee shops have, but it has a distinctive Prairie Crossing feeling.

Jacque said that throughout the day, the café has several distinctive waves of customers. Because Prairie Croissant Café is situated near two Metra lines, it gets lots of commuters in the morning, moms and their small kids in the afternoon, and teens and adults in the evening.

For the three joint owners, fair trade and organic products are part

of their underlying principal to provide high-quality food and beverages. They get freshly picked produce, eggs from the Prairie Crossing Farm and locally produced coffees and teas.

John's favorite menu item is the smoked duck sandwich. Served on a French baguette, the duck is dressed with peach preserves.

"It's an idea we got from the French," Scott said. "Create flavors without the pretense."

Jacque said the café also offers wireless Internet, and music groups and local artists will be able to display their art work on the walls.

"This is fertile ground on which we can plant the seeds of community to avoid isolation and negativity," Jacque said. "We want to bring people back – to community and culture."

>> OnStage

A play with some heart

By TOM WITOM
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Apple Tree Theatre wraps up its 2006-07 season with "Criminal Hearts." And the play is a stimulating, well-written comedy.

The work of an anonymous playwright, who writes with the pen name Jane Martin, immediately draws audiences into its web.

The play, smartly directed by Ray Frewen, opens in a darkened bedroom of a chic apartment in which a gun-toting cat burglar has come seeking items. Unexpectedly, the would-be thief, Bo (Candace Taylor), finds the place littered with Dr Pepper cans and empty pizza boxes – not the valuables she was expecting. Then, the tables turn when the startled occupant manages to wrest the weapon from the intruder.

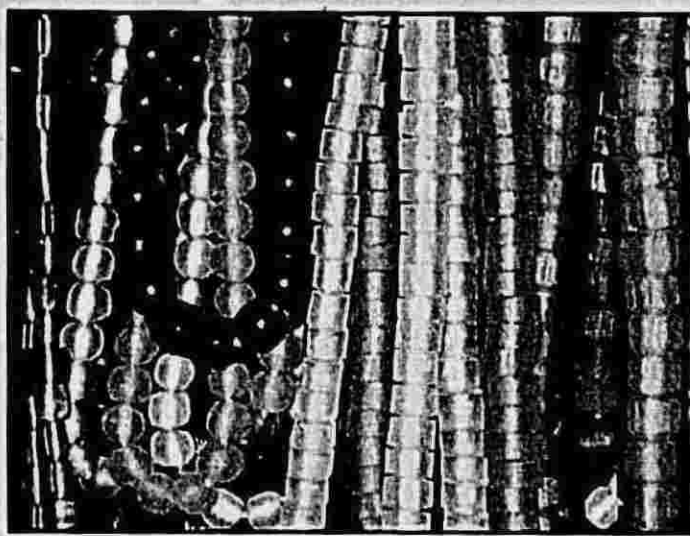
As it turns out, the intended victim, Ata (Martie Sanders), is an emotional wreck, far worse off than Bo. Ata, going through a divorce from a philandering husband who has confiscated most of her belongings, except for a closet-full of designer clothes, suffers from agoraphobia, allergies, serious stress disorders and a deflated self-image.

Upset that Bo, a woman, has invaded her space with a gun, Ata shouts, "Men shoot each other. Women relate."

Bo, a professional thief who has lost possession of her pistol, is forced into an unlikely relationship with Ata.

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Petrucchi's: Fresh Italian fare

By: LESLIE GLAZIER-WERNER
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Expect big things from this family-run restaurant and market. Its heart and soul is not only in its cooking, but in its warm hospitality.

The atmosphere smacks of a sunny outdoor cafe in Italy. Yellows and earth tones prevail against bistro tables set with elegant white linen. With a seating capacity of 25, the dining area is cozy but not over-crowded.

My companion and I arrived during the height of the busy lunch hour, but still received a greeting from one of the Petrucci's staff, and patient attention from our server and cook, Josh. Many of the diners appeared to be regulars and were greeted on a first name basis.

Petrucchi's Italian Market & Café offers a varied selection on both its lunch and dinner menus. The grilled panini I ordered was a generous size,

served hot with provolone, asiago, and fontinella cheese. My companion's caesar salad consisted of crisp greens, grilled chicken, and a delicious homemade dressing. Dessert was tasty, fresh homemade cannoli and tiramisu. The wait time was minimal.

The dinner menu offers classics like lasagna and specialties like shrimp alfredo. Son Ronny Petrucci noted that their "cracker crust pizza is the best in the world". He also gave us a sample of the bread that accompanies their dinners: fresh from the oven and worth a visit in itself.

Ronny said they have been running the restaurant for a year, and added the adjoining upscale Italian market and deli in February. Petrucci's Italian Market & Café seems to have the ingredients for continued success: the entire Petrucci family enjoys serving customers as much as preparing fresh Italian fare.



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'Transformers' doesn't transform into a success

By JEFFREY WESTHOFF
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The Transformers, those robots disguised as jets and sports cars, arrive in theaters battling one of the most malevolent forces in the galaxy — Michael Bay.

Whatever chance "Transformers," which is based on the toys that debuted in the 1980s along with a cartoon and a comic book, might have had to be a decent movie disappeared the moment Bay was hired to direct.

For all its other deficiencies, "Transformers" fails because it is a Michael Bay film, terrible for the same reasons all this egomaniacal hack's films are terrible. Bay has no discipline, no style, no concern for story and no sense of rhythm. He just piles on and plows ahead — big, dumb and loud. It doesn't matter if his star is Bruce Willis, Ben Affleck or a giant robot that turns into a truck, Bay renders them all irrelevant with his sun-baked cinematography and ever-swaying camera.

The most startling thing about this hire is that executive producer Steven Spielberg put Bay in the director's chair. Back in the '80s — at the same time the Transformers were invading pop culture — Spielberg would collaborate with Joe Dante, Richard Donner and Robert Zemeckis. Now he collaborates with a Jerry Bruckheimer castoff? The collapse of DreamWorks must have added his mind.

Bay's leaden touch with "Transformers" is most conspicuous in a portentous military subplot that stretches the film to its absurd running time of 144 minutes. Bay recycles scenes from "Armageddon" of defense officials with red lights on their faces trying to figure out how to prevent the end of the world. The crisis begins when a mysterious robot destroys a U.S. base in Qatar.

Meanwhile, in sunny California, screenwriters Roberto Orci and Alex Kurtzman recycle "Herbie: Fully Loaded" as teenaged Sam Witwicky (Shia LaBeouf) buys a beat-up used car that turns out to be alive.

Transformers' fans, and they are

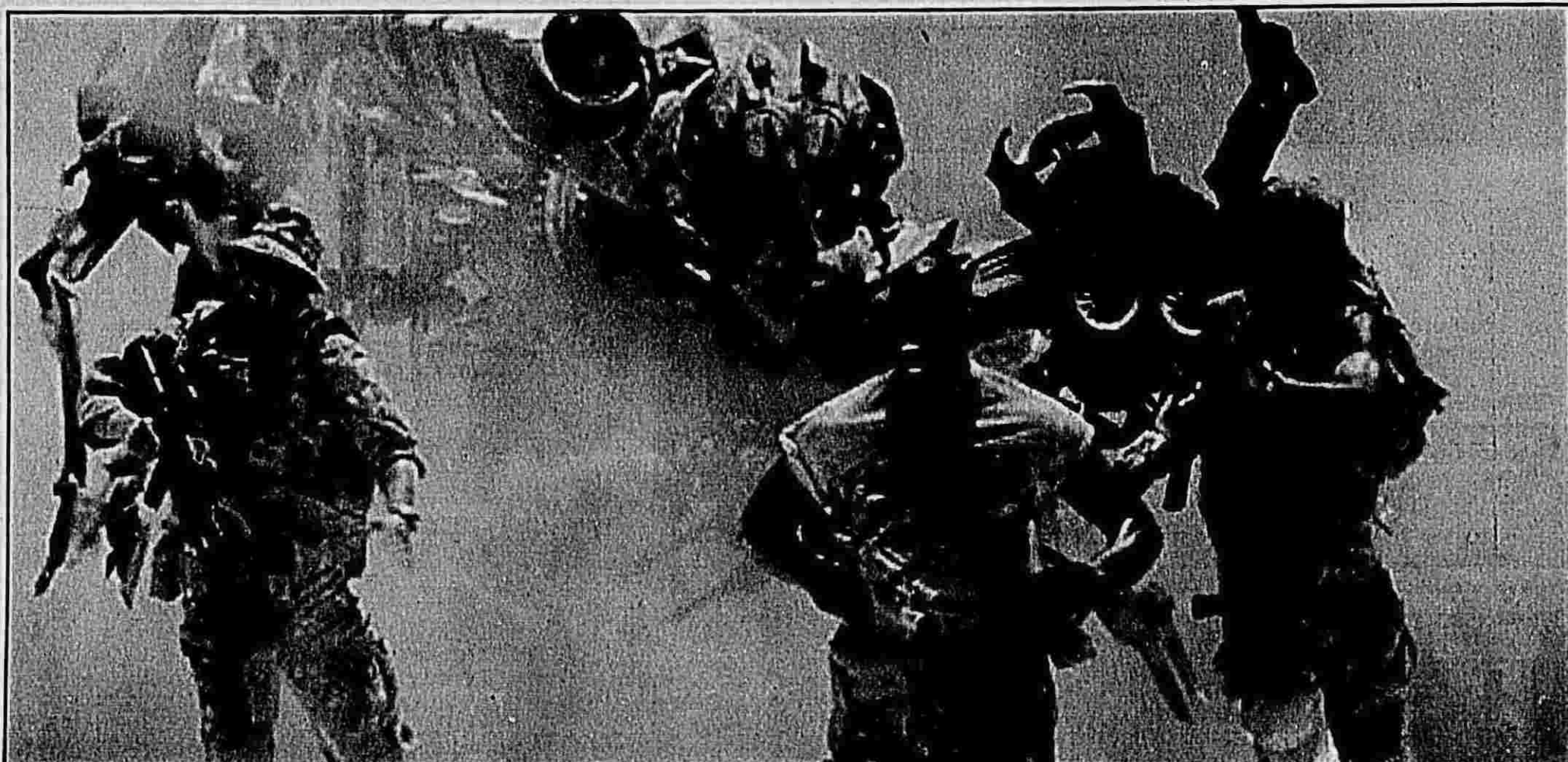
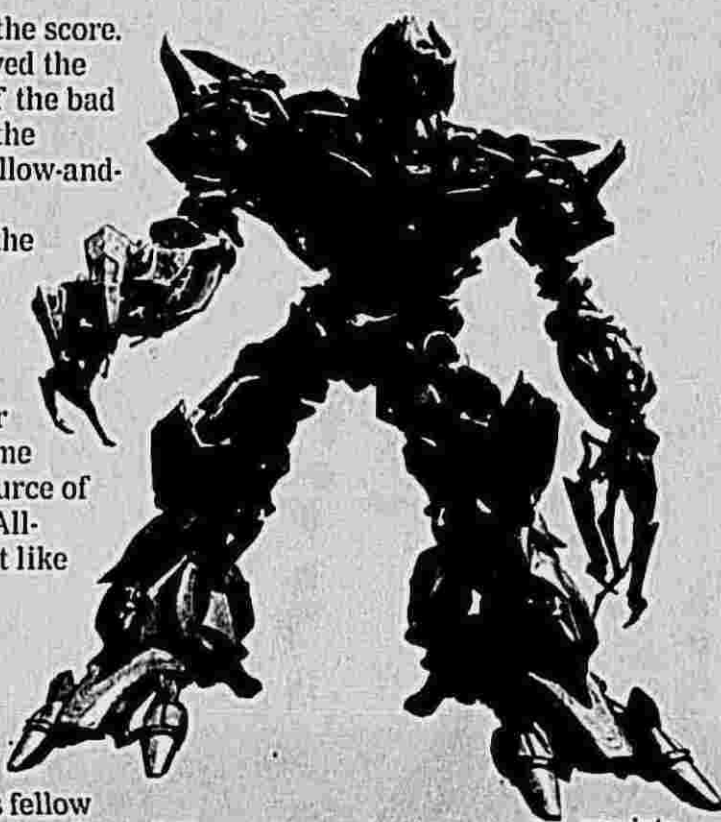


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"Transformers" tells the story of the good transformers, the Autobots, as they battle the evil transformers, the Decepticons. The film is directed by Michael Bay.

legion, already know the score. The robot that destroyed the military base is one of the bad Transformers, called the Decepticons. Sam's yellow-and-black car, named Bumblebee, is one of the good Transformers, called the Autobots. The Autobots and Decepticons have fought across space for centuries and have come to Earth to find the source of Transformer life, the Allspark, which looks just like the deadly cube from "Hellraiser."

As the Decepticons continue to wreak havoc on the U.S. defense network, Bumblebee signals his fellow Autobots to join him. So, after a full hour has elapsed, the main Transformer, Optimus Prime, finally shows up along with teammates whose names and cover vehicles are of interest only to Transformers



purists

and GM dealers. Subplots get more crowded as Sam uses his new car to impress Mikaela (Megan Fox), the hottest girl in his class, while in

"Transformers"

★★

Genre: Action/adventure
Writers: Roberto Orci and Alex Kurtzman
Director: Michael Bay
More information: Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of science-fiction action violence, brief sexual humor and language; running time is 144 minutes.

Washington, an equally hot Australian hacker, Maggie (Rachel Taylor), tries to crack the Decepticons' code. And that's before John Turturro shows up as part of a super secret agency that has kept the Decepticons' leader, Megatron, frozen inside Hoover Dam for decades.

With no sense for consistency, Bay jumps from slapstick to insult humor ("Let's make fun of fat guys eating doughnuts!") to dead-serious melodrama. The story is all over the place, too, with more holes than plot. And

the dialogue is dreadful.

Only LaBeouf and Turturro have the proper sense of humor to pull off their hyperbolic lines. These two actors are the only reasons to see the movie.

With all the trademarked Michael Bay badness rolling about, it is easy to overlook something that might have doomed this live-action "Transformers" even with a decent director. By trying to make the Transformers appear realistic, the film technicians take away the charm of the toys, cartoons and comics.

In their robot forms, the Transformers look like every other computer-generated special effect of the last decade. During Bay's poorly staged and never-ending action sequences, we're just watching one set of metal frames pounding away at another.

They might as well be Go-Bots.

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No triumphant bells ring for 'License to Wed'

By JEFFREY WESTHOFF
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When Robin Williams played a stalker in "One Hour Photo," at least he knew the character was sinister.

The minister Williams plays in "License to Wed" is nearly as disturbed and unbalanced, but everyone thinks he is a laugh riot — Mork from Ork with a white collar.

Like a creepy kid who has taken a few too many Ritalin tablets, "License to Wed" bounds around the screen wildly, overanxious to prove its wackiness. It cannot relax its mirth-making for a second because that would allow the audience enough time to reconsider the premise and be repelled by its undertones.

Williams plays the Rev. Frank, a minister whose suburban congregation adores how he projects himself as a Las Vegas comedian. But the obsessive side of the Rev. Frank lurks in his role as marriage-preparation counselor. Ben Murphy (Jonathan Krasinski) learns this painful truth when he proposes to Sadie Jones (Mandy Moore), whose family is devoted to the

"License to Wed"

★

Genre: Comedy/romance
Writers: Kim Barker, Tim Rasmussen and Vince Di Meglio
Director: Ken Kwapis
More information: Rated PG-13 for sexual humor and language; running time is 100 minutes.

Rev. Frank.

The Rev. Frank sadistically informs Ben that, as part of marriage preparation, he and Sadie can't have sex before the wedding. To enforce this, he bugs their apartment and sits outside in a van, ready to barge in whenever the couple gets too randy.

Maybe "License to Wed" would be funny if director Ken Kwapis acknowledged the Rev. Frank's intrusiveness as unhealthy and impious. Screenwriters Kim Barker, Tim Rasmussen and Vince Di Meglio steal most of their ideas from "Meet the Parents" without realizing that comedy worked because the rest of the cast was oblivious to how deeply Robert De Niro terror-

ized Ben Stiller.

In "License to Wed," most of the Rev. Frank's tactics are in the open, but nobody finds them unusual.

Sadie doesn't blink when the Rev. Frank eagerly discusses her sexual fantasies. Young Josh Flitter plays the Rev. Frank's devoted sidekick, and

nobody questions that a 10-year-old boy spends many evenings in the back of a van with his minister.

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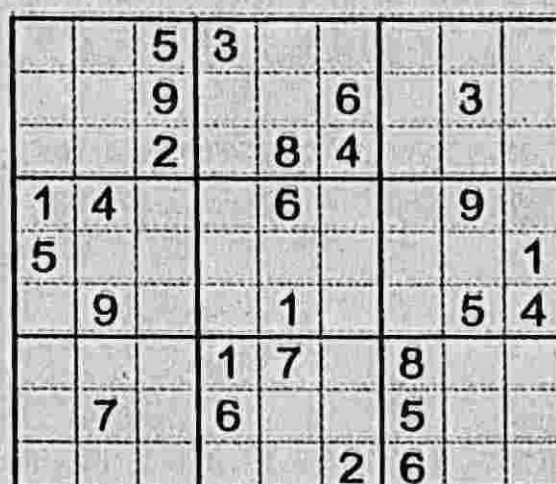
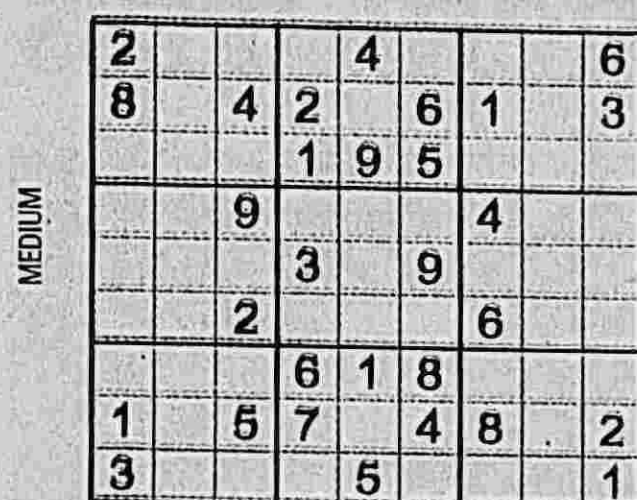
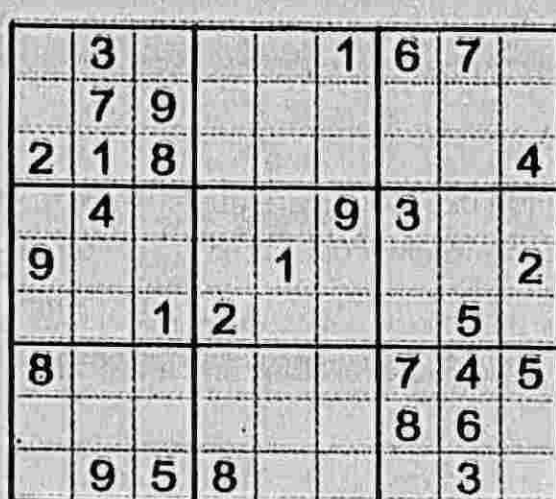
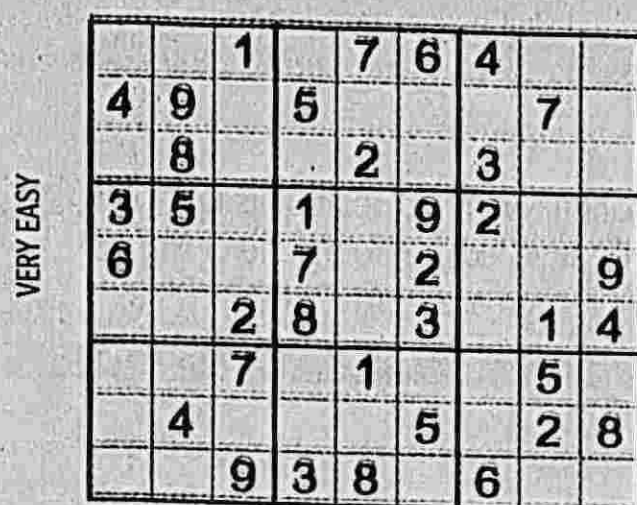
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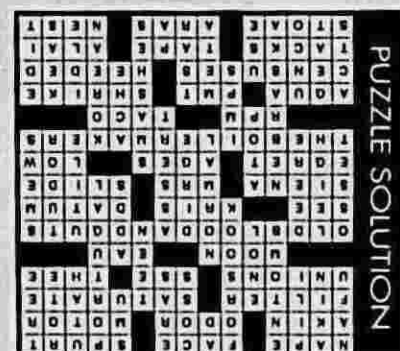
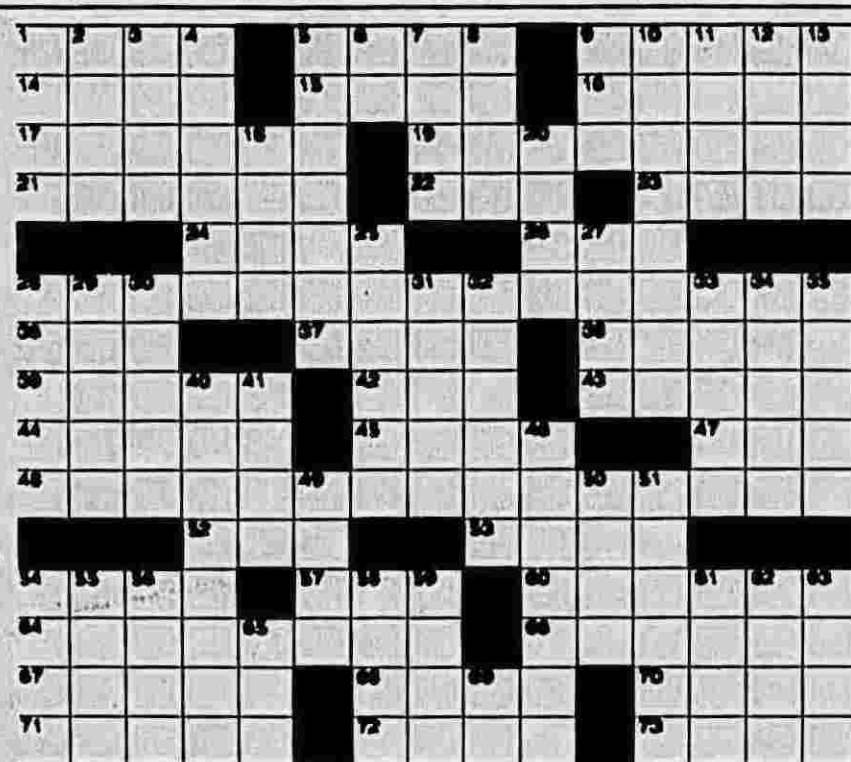
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>> Horoscope

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, a health concern turns out to be nothing more than a minor inconvenience.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, an avoidable situation at work causes a few headaches. You'll rebound quickly, however.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
Focus on pampering yourself this week, Virgo.

You deserve a little relaxation.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, don't keep too many secrets from your sweetheart, otherwise you could end up in trouble in the future.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Things seem worse than they really are, Scorpio. Keep your chin up.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
You have to come up with a long-term plan, Sagittarius. You can't just jump from one thing to another without having a goal.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Don't expect all of your plans to go off without a hitch this week, Capricorn. Something is bound to go awry when you least expect it. But don't worry, things will quiet down soon.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
You're indecisive this week, Aquarius, so you're bound to make rash decisions.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Don't believe everything that is told to you, Pisces.

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, there's no time like the present to get

your finances on track. Take a day to sit down and go through your checkbook.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
How much fun you have this week depends on your outlook, Taurus.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
The next few days will be nothing to write home about, Gemini.

>> EveryMom



Jami Kunzer

New twist

Stay-at-home moms have asked Steve Auchstetter to have a word with their husbands. Because he knows the work involved in taking care of children all day. The Batavia father quit his teaching job about five years ago to stay home and raise his four children, ages 9, 7, 5 and 4, so his wife could work.

• Columnist Jami Kunzer is the mother of three children. You can connect with Jami online Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday through her blog, which can be found at www.nwherald.com. Reach Jami at jkunzer@nwnewsgroup.com, or (815) 459-4122. To read Jami's full column, go to LakeCountyJournals.com and select "columnists" under the LakeLife section.

>> Elements of the Ridiculous



Jana Thompson

Birthday time

The theme of all my childhood birthday parties was - ahem - birthday party, was balloons, cake and an eventual slap fight over who got to play on the swing set.

Good times. Then MTV came up with this thing called "My Super Sweet 16."

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BOYS BASKETBALL: Grayslake Central and Lakes turnout for the Zion-Benton boys basketball summer shootout. **PAGE 9B**

BASEBALL: American Legion baseball heats up as Mundelein Post 867 beats Grayslake Post 659 3-1. **PAGE 9B**

VIEWS: Joakim Noah's attire and his lack of offensive skills have led him to be one of the hot topics in the Chicago area. **PAGE 10B**

>> Sidelines



Daniel J. Patrick

Prep athletes never rest

While the rest of us were enjoying parades and fireworks during the weekend before the Fourth of July, prep athletes all around the area were busting their humps at perfecting their crafts.

Where were you early last Saturday morning? Maybe enjoying an early jog? Maybe getting ready for another family reunion?

Not these local athletes. In fact they were doing anything but resting during the recent weekend.

When most of us were enjoying the weekend, lots of prep basketball players were taking part in the Zion-Benton shootout. And believe me, this is far from anything new.

In my own experience as a former varsity player, playing basketball during the actual season was a relief because it meant less practice than in the summer.

With so much time spent working in the so-called off-season, some people might argue that this is a slippery slope we're heading down. After all, if all the kids are spending so much time playing sports, when are they going to have time to be kids?

As a writer and a former athlete, I can say that this is one slippery slope that most kids would be more than happy to jump down. Sure, there are transportation issues with endless practices, but I argue that the benefits far outweigh the problems.

How much damage could structured exercise be in an era when the American population is ballooning? How bad is it to have structure for some kids when they might love sports and there's little else for them to do?

In my eyes, not much. According to Mayo Clinic literature, "In just two decades, the prevalence of overweight doubled for U.S. children ages 6 to 11 - and tripled for American teenagers."

The best way to burn off the pounds for kids bounding with energy is to find them a sport, any sport they love and get them involved. In Lake County, there are plenty of sports teams and clubs everywhere for kids of all ages to enjoy.

Even if they don't make it to the high school or college level, believe me, they'll have plenty of memories - even if it means a little more sweat and a little less free time during the dog days of summer.

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>> Swimming

Making a medley of memories



Annie Christie - achristie@nwnewsgroup.com

The Antioch Waves swim team gets ready to swim against Huntley Stingers at Antioch community pool.

Antioch Waves swim team creates lifelong love for sport

By **DANIEL J. PATRICK**
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ANTIOCH - It's 6:30 a.m., it's a weekday, and most kids aren't even thinking about getting up for hours. But at the Antioch pool, there are plenty of kids who are not only up, but are working hard to train for the Antioch Waves swim team.

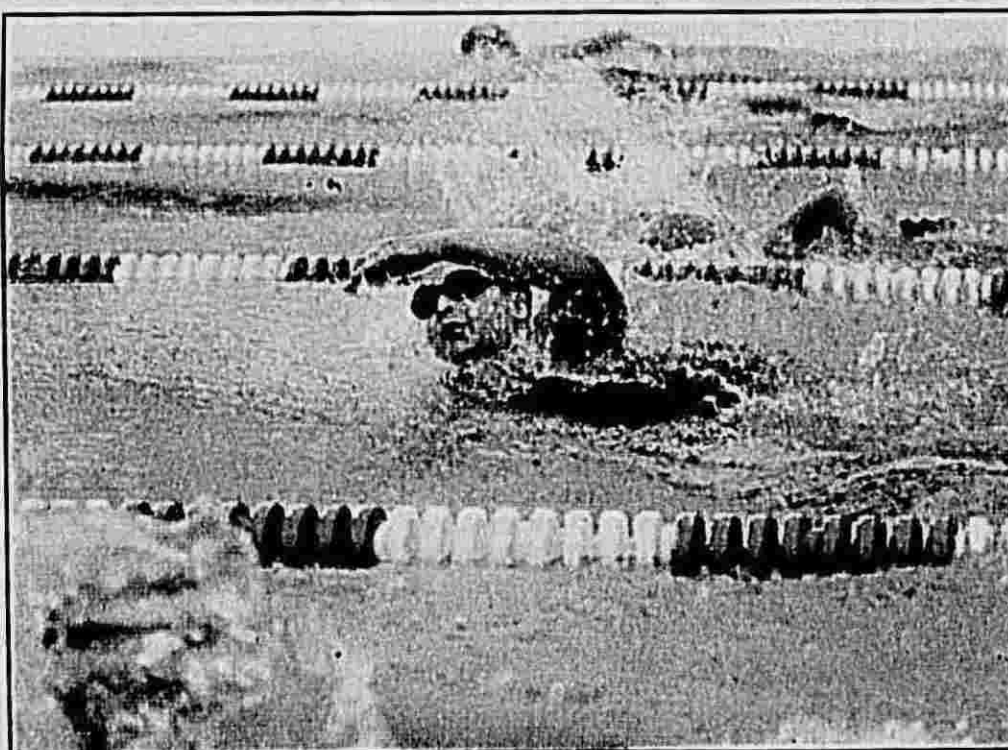
For more than 30 years, the team has given area youth swimmers a chance to keep in shape and compete.

In 2007, more than 100 Waves from the ages of 5 through 18 swim for six weeks.

Both of the Waves' coaches are more than used to the 6 a.m. grind. Head Coach Taylor Pechauer went to Antioch Community High School and swims for Carroll College, in Waukesha, Wis. Meanwhile, assistant coach Stefanie Leafblad is a Warren alum who swims for Augustana College, in Rock Island.

But beyond their shared lineage as collegiate swimmers, they have another common bond: they're both former Antioch Waves.

"I actually swam for the Waves when I was eight until I was 13, then I went to Warren just so I could swim," Leafblad said. "I loved to swim when I was a kid. I first joined the team when I was eight. I swam with a lot of girls and I loved



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Antioch Wave swimmer Abby Vogel takes a breath while swimming the 50-yard freestyle in the 10-and-under division during a home meet against Huntley.

getting ribbons, and that's how it all started."

Much like Leafblad, Pechauer joined at an early age and fell in love with competitive swimming.

"I swam on this team since I was 6 years old and I still swim at Carroll College," Pechauer said. "I really get into [coaching] because it keeps me thinking about swimming in the offseason and it gets me

thinking about when I was a kid."

From pastime to love

The kids themselves said they appreciate their coaches' love for the sport. Not just that, but the kids are not oblivious to the physical benefits of joining a swim team at such a young age.

"My mom asked me if I wanted to be in swimming, and I said 'yes,'"

Antioch's Marli Watson said. "It's so much fun, and I get lots of exercise from it."

Some of the swimmers never even thought about competing before they joined the Waves. When 9-year-old Conner Roinas joined, ribbons and time sheets were the furthest things from his mind, but now that's all changed.

"I started for swimming lessons so I could learn to swim," Roinas said. "It's my first year [swimming for the Waves]. ... I really like it."

Nine-year-old Alice Bessette, of Antioch, said she got a little "parental persuasion" to join the team, but she doesn't regret the decision. Now, after three years with the Waves, she's a veteran back/breast-stroker for the team.

"My dad wanted me to learn to swim, so I joined the team, and now, it's my third year," Bessette said. "[Racing] is the best part of swimming. I love to get ribbons and I love the meets."

Nine-year-old Claire Roeker, of Antioch, gets her inspiration from her fellow Waves in the pool.

"I like the team, I think we're the best around," Roeker said. "I like the home meets because they're really fun, but some of the away meets are really far away."

See **SWIMMING**, page 9B

QuickHitters



Justin Piasecki

Justin Piasecki - Mundelein

Pitching wins championships - or so they say. And Mundelein Post 867's hurler Justin Piasecki's performance seemed to prove those words as he threw a complete game win against Grayslake Post 659. Piasecki struck out eight batters and battled through control issues to limit Grayslake to just one run.



Kurt Schmidt

Kurt Schmidt - Grayslake

With the American Legion season fully under way, Grayslake's Post 659 needs a consistent hitter. In a game against Mundelein Post 867 on July 2, Grayslake got a consistent bat in Grayslake Central junior-to-be Kurt Schmidt. Schmidt went 2-for-4 and had Grayslake's only RBI of the night in a 3-1 loss.

To nominate a student athlete for Quick Hitters, please send submissions to Daniel J. Patrick at dpatrick@nwnewsgroup.com

GameOfTheWeek



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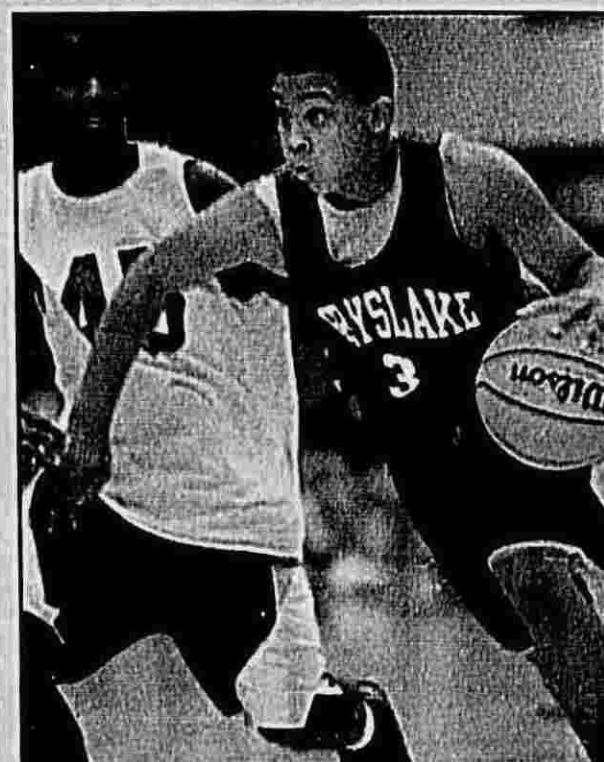
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Yeah, there is the All-Star Game coming up, but with the Sox down in the dumps and the Cubs trying to make a run for the NL Central, a break is the last thing either team needs.

So that leaves a chance for the Chicago Rush to make a run at repeating the AFL championship this year.

If you can't make it out to the Allstate Arena, you can catch it on ESPN2.

Hardcore summer workout








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Darvis Delaney, of Grayslake Central, drives to the hoop during a game against Zion-Benton. Grayslake's Rams went up against the Zee-Bees as a part of the Zion-Benton Shootout boys summer basketball league. See story on page 9B.

WEEKLY PLANNER

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>> Legion Baseball: Mundelein 3, Grayslake 1

Mundelein pitcher transforms

Post 867 ace strikes out 8 batters after hitting 3 early on

By DANIEL J. PATRICK
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MUNDELEIN — Much like in brand new summer movie "Transformers" where mild-mannered cars transform into robots, Monday's mild-mannered American Legion baseball game between Mundelein Post 867 and Grayslake Post 659 transformed into a car demolition derby for fans.

In the midst of a competitive baseball game, five different cars left with damage from foul balls while one left with a cracked windshield. That, coupled with a umpire who took a

line drive to the arm, there were a few people who left the game a little worse than how they came in.

But, automotive and bodily carnage aside, both teams managed to transform the game from a taut baseball matchup into a 3-1 Mundelein victory.

Mundelein pitcher Justin Piasecki hit three batters, including back-to-back Grayslake hitters in the third inning. But he was able to regain his composure and ended the game with the eight-strikeout complete-game win.

"He [Piasecki] threw

absolutely excellent," Mundelein Coach Casey Duval said. "He definitely got into some jams where he loaded the bases and got a few walks, but he was able to get out and held a very good team to just one run."

That one run came in the top of the second inning when Piasecki had transformed into his wild self. After Piasecki struck out the first batter, he also struck out Shawn Tobie, but Tobie was able to reach first on a passed ball.

Grayslake's Scott Haines then reached on a Mundelein throwing error that gave Micah Yarbrough runners on first and second with one out. Yarbrough capitalized with a RBI single to give Grayslake the 1-0 lead.

It didn't look like Post 659 was done as Grayslake loaded the bases on a two out bunt by Nick Waldo, but Grayslake couldn't capitalize on the chance. In the bottom of the second, Mundelein came charging back with two runs of its own.

From that point on, both pitchers transformed themselves into aces and didn't let a single run cross home plate until the bottom of the sixth inning.

In the bottom of the sixth, the bottom half of Mundelein's order came through. With one out, James Baldwin pinch ran for Piasecki, and scored on a Grayslake throwing error for the 3-1 Mundelein lead.

Despite just one run on the board, Grayslake definitely had its chances to score. Grayslake left seven runners in scoring position on base and loaded the bases three times without scoring a single run.

"We just didn't get key hits when we needed them. I don't know why we couldn't score when we had so many chances," Grayslake Coach Bob Yarbrough said. "It's always a mystery to coaches why you can put three guys on base with hits, but you can't get that last big hit."

>> BoysBasketball

Sharp-shooting perfection

Area teams duke it out at Zion-Benton summer league

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ZION — Basketball season might be about four months away, but that doesn't mean hoops teams aren't hard at work honing their craft on the hardwood.

During the Zion-Benton boys basketball Summer Shootout, teams from Lakes, Grayslake Central, Zion-Benton and others gave area hardwood fans something to talk about months before the winter season.

Last weekend, Grayslake Central Coach Tim Bowen was able to take a more hands-on approach, while other coaches were forced to take a back seat role. Over the course of the off-season, Illinois varsity coaches are allowed 25 days of actual coaching. Other than that, head coaches must take a step back and let the kids work on their own.

"It's hard to just sit here sometimes," Lakes Coach Brian Phelan said. "Now, I'm just sitting here in the stands watching my team like anybody else. But, when I let them go like this, some of our leaders really step up and take control, and it's good to see that."

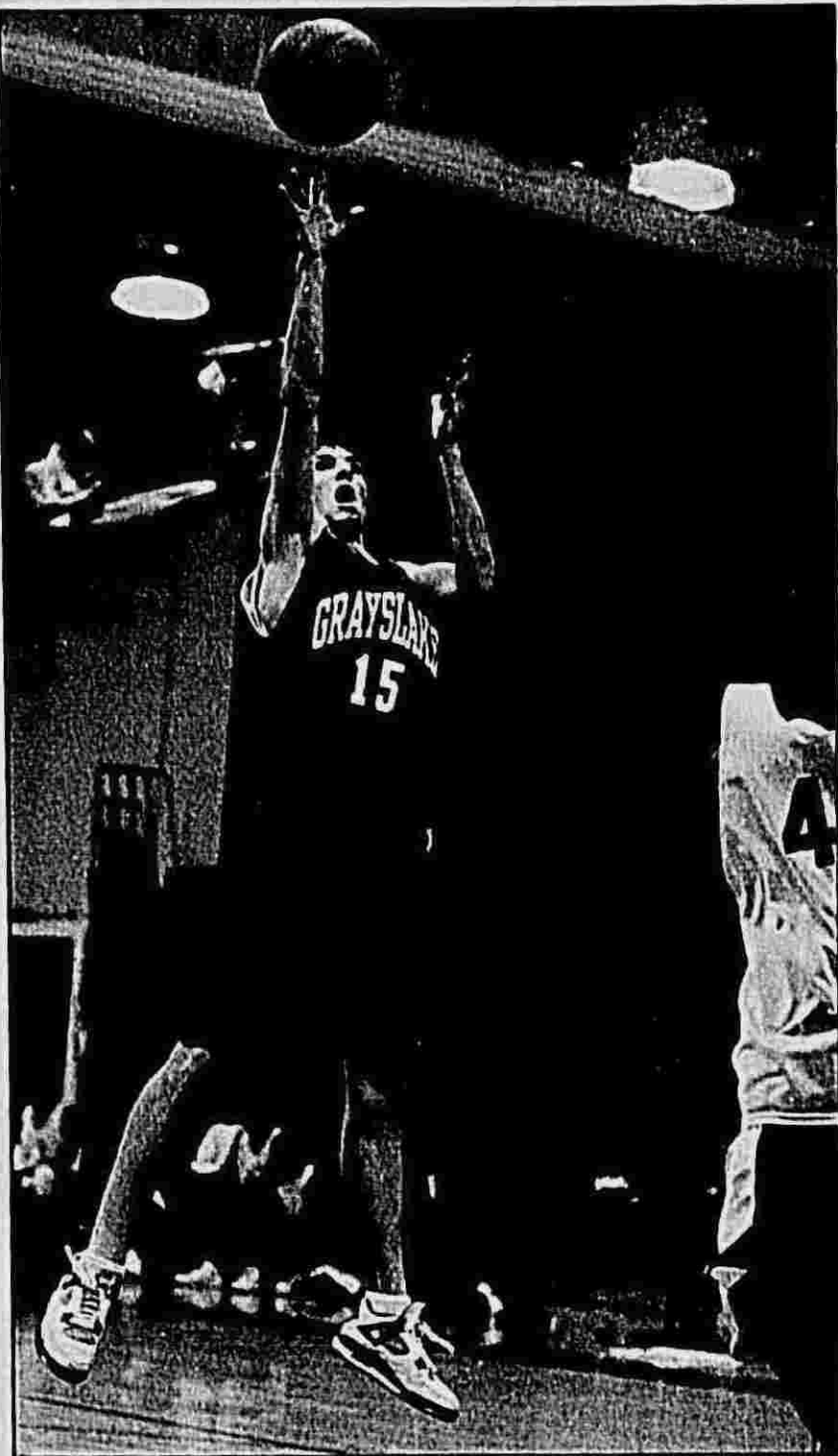
Zion-Benton ended up with the best record for the weekend with a 4-1 mark while Grayslake Central had a winning record with 2-1. As for Lakes, the Eagles went 1-2 for the final weekend of the Shootout.

Rams continue to improve

One of the biggest stories to come out of the tournament was the re-emergence of the Grayslake Central Rams. Last season, the Rams went through a grueling rebuilding campaign after winning a regional title in 2006.

Judging by how they've done thus far this summer, they could be back in the driver's seat this winter.

"This has been probably one of the more memorable summers we've had," Bowen said. "We've had a lot of games and we've been pretty successful. We're about 26-9 right now ... Last year, I don't think we even won 10 games all summer long."



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Mike Davis, of Grayslake Central, takes a jump shot during a summer game against Zion-Benton. The games were a part of the Zion-Benton Shootout that took place last weekend.

Last year, Bowen and company had just two seniors in Mauricio Galarza and Leon Cuellar to work with. This year, he's got plenty of battle-tested veterans to return to the court this winter.

"We've got a lot of expectations for this group and they're playing better than what we thought they would," Bowen said.

Lakes starts rebuilding

Just as Grayslake Central was ready to come out of the rebuilding dark ages, the Lakes Eagles are set to go into it. After losing big time talents like Chuck Kempf and Sean Hertz, some Lake County teams might be licking their chops at the prospect of a weakened Eagles roster.

Regardless of what other coaches are thinking about, Phelan is focusing on teaching

the team to learn from their mistakes and grow as basketball players.

"We're focusing on two things this summer: Individual improvement within our system and allowing our kids to learn about success and failure," Phelan said. "Those are our objectives for the offseason and I think our kids are doing well this summer."

As for next year, Phelan's biggest returning option is senior-to-be Kevin Guirand. Guirand has been a major cog in Lakes' winning machine since his sophomore season. Despite his big role in the team, Guirand himself is more than ready to spread the love to his teammates.

"Workouts in the summer are a lot of fun because we've got a lot of great players coming back for next year," Guirand said.

Passion to swim brings kids together

• SWIMMING

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Team unity

One Wave who has been around for a while is 17-year-old Antioch Community High School student Alex Pechauer. Alex, the brother of coach Taylor, has been with the team for 13 years and is still going strong.

"It's just fun to swim," Alex said. "Hopefully, I'll be able to follow in my brother's footsteps and swim in college. But when I'm there, I'll probably come back and coach for the Waves. ... It's great to see all these kids and remember when I was just like them."

Leafblad said she likes the team more than some of the other area swim teams because of its six-week schedule. Rather than some of the more grinding year-round squads, the Waves bring out the best in the competitors without tiring them out to swimming.

"What I like the most about this team is that it's just a bunch of kids who love to swim," Leafblad said. "It's not a year-round team, so there aren't kids that look at it like a job, instead, they're just doing what they love."

According to the kids, even Leafblad doesn't know how much they enjoy the sport.

"I love swimming," Bessette said. "I'll probably go until I'm too old to swim for any team."

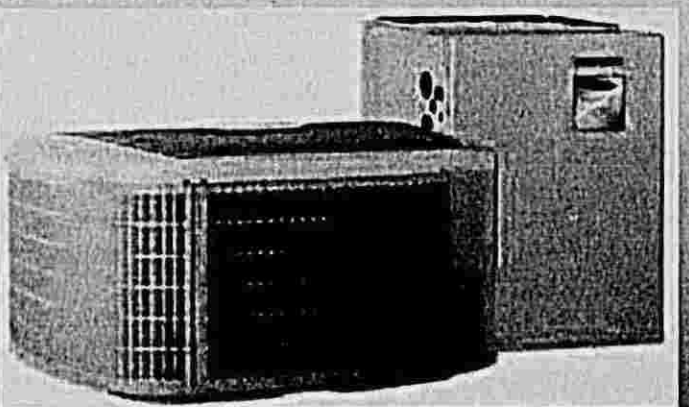
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Antioch Wave swimmer Logan Boyce, 9, swims the 200 yard medley relay during a meet between Antioch Waves and Huntley Stingers.

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"For seniors looking for a spacious home, we have beautiful two- and

three- bedroom prairie-style garden homes that feature private patios and attached garages," said Mary Riggs, executive director for The Village at Victory Lakes. "Our roomy one- and two- bedroom independent living apartments feature a full kitchen and individual climate control. Also, our residents enjoy full-course meals in our elegant dining room."

Riggs said residents who live at Victory Lakes are able to enjoy "a maintenance-free lifestyle." "Residents can take advantage of our many activities while not having to worry about yard work in the summer or snow

shoveling in the winter," she said. "Our full range of services is geared towards helping seniors experience the fullness of life." Looking to further the mission and vision of the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago to provide high quality senior services, Franciscan Communities acquired The Village at Victory Lakes last summer.

Franciscan Communities, which is sponsored by the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago and is a division of the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago Service Corporation, currently operates 16 senior living communities in Indiana,

Kentucky, Texas, Ohio and Illinois. Franciscan Communities also provides home and community-based health services in Indiana and a shelter for women and their children who are survivors of domestic violence in Indiana. Offering independent and assisted living, skilled nursing and Alzheimer's care, Franciscan Communities was ranked as the 6th fastest growing senior health and housing system in the nation in 2005. For more information, please call (847) 356-4666.

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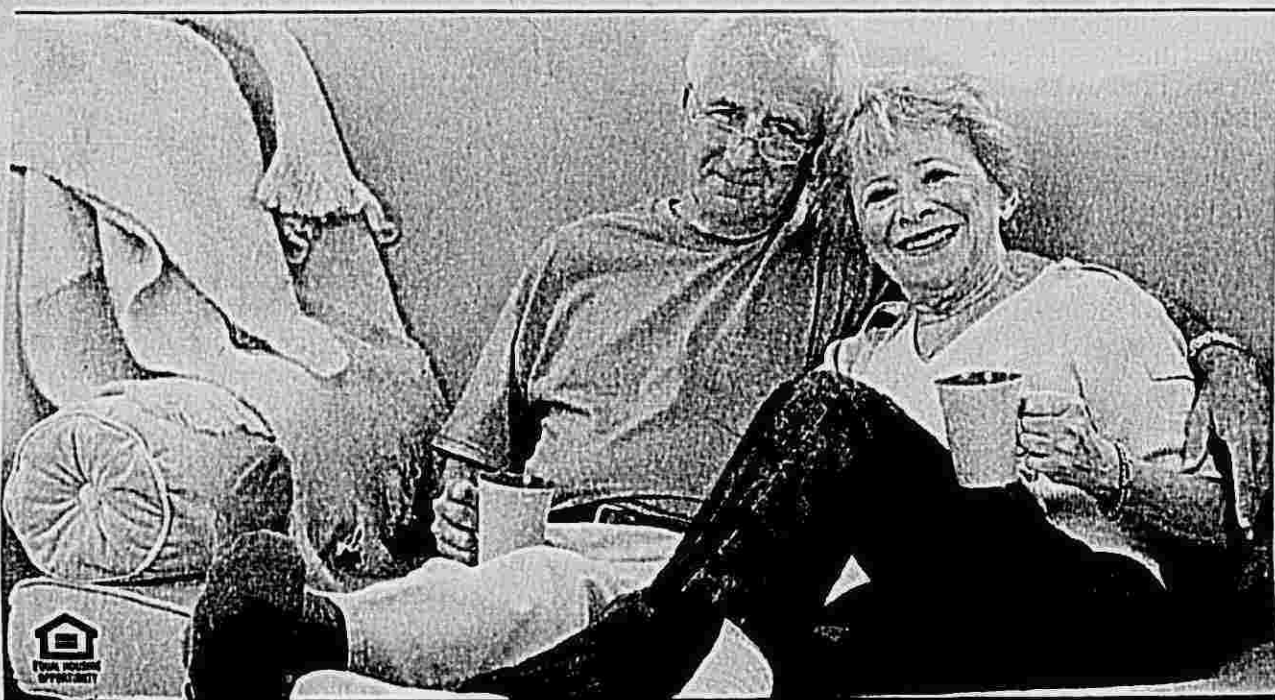
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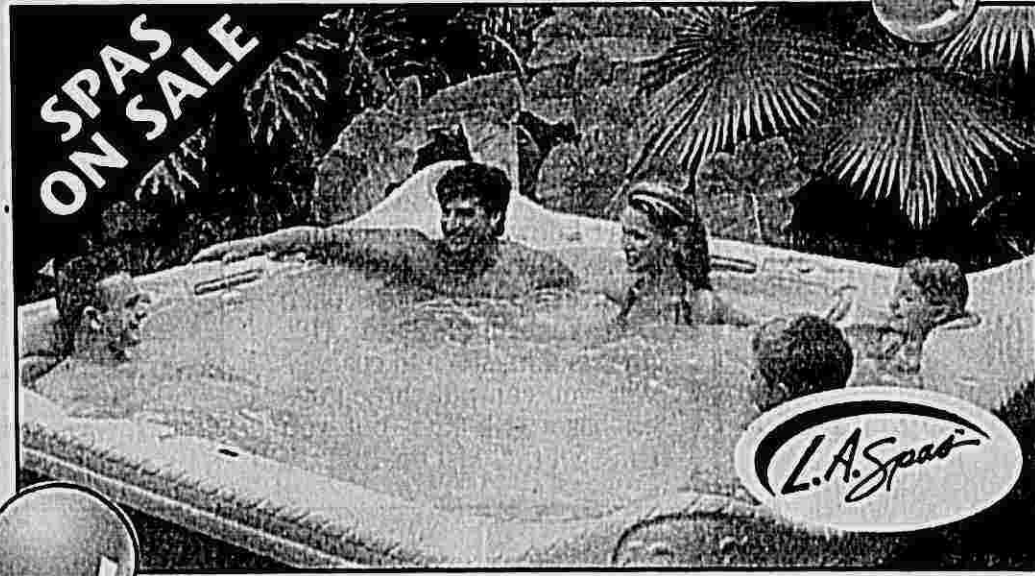
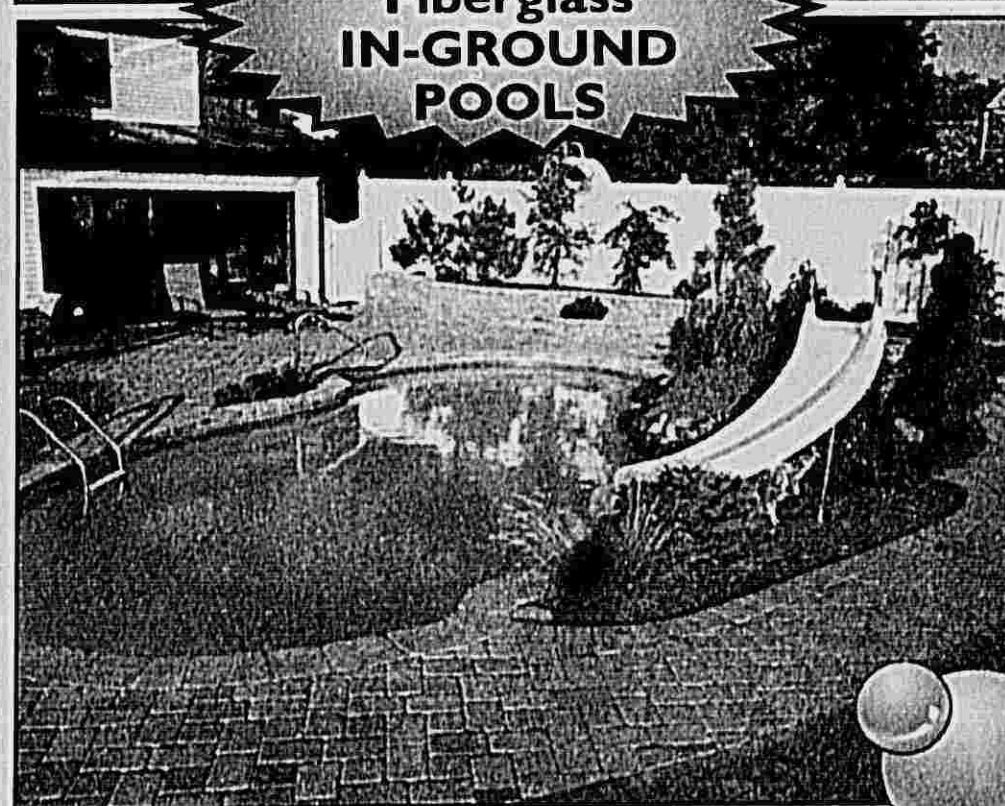
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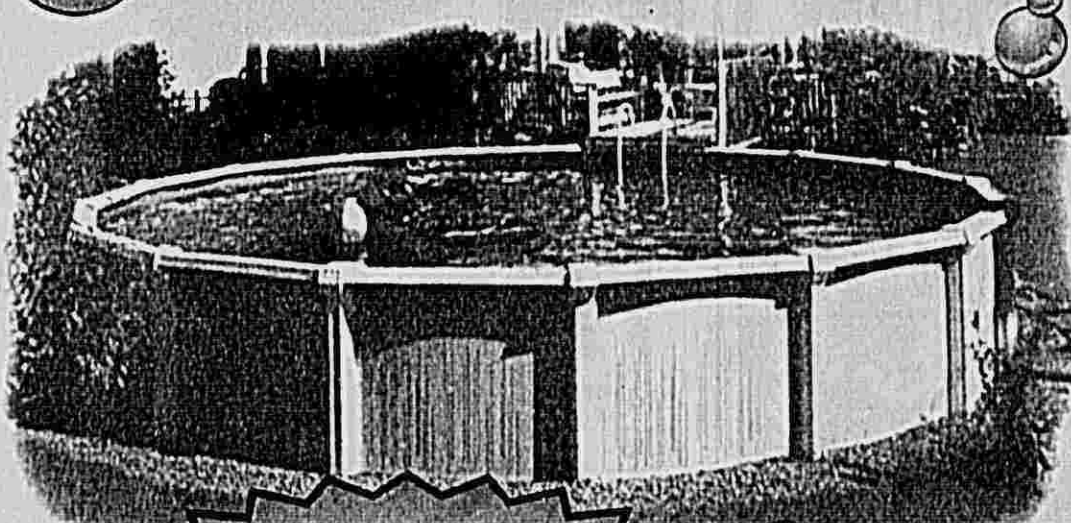


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Noah pick receives mix reactions

DEERFIELD - In a room where most of his colleagues went Colin Powell, Joakim Noah went Andre 3000. Donning a style best described as "Dumb and Dumber" meets Snoopy, the Florida forward turned heads at Thursday's NBA Draft with a "freed pony-tail" haircut and a seersucker tuxedo that was more Salvation Army than Saks Fifth Avenue.

"Somebody said I looked like Bozo The Clown," Noah said after being drafted ninth by the Bulls. "I definitely didn't like that."

Though not as sartorially adventurous as the 7-footer, I happened to like Noah's outfit, right down to the oversized bow tie and lapel fringe.

But because fashion depends on personal taste, I also know that Noah's outfit is just as likely to land him in the pages of *US Weekly* under "worst-dressed."

Around here, we should get used to that contrast. Whether it's over his clothes or his play, Noah always inspires a diverse range of opinion. If the varied media reaction at the Berto Center provides any indication, the 7-foot Noah will provide good fodder for an interesting summer argument.

Can Noah overcome the knock that he has limited offensive skills? Can he fit onto a Bulls team that still needs a dominant low-post scorer? Will he prove to be a better pro than Washington center Spencer Hawes, passed by Paxson and selected one pick later by Sacramento?

Right now, the answers depend largely on who you ask. After writing earlier this month that Noah would be a good fit with the Bulls, I saw firsthand the passion - both positive and negative - Noah can inspire.

"Have you met the Joakim lovers?" asked one friend, a writer with more experience covering the ponytailed one.

"I think so," I said.

"Good," he said. "Now meet the Joakim haters." He wasn't kidding, either. For every fan praising Noah's energy, defense and passing ability, there was another dismissing his unorthodox release, his lack of moves in the post and what they perceived to be an annoying off-court persona.

In the end, the only opinion that mattered was that of general manager John Paxson, who continued following a system that has worked. In Noah, Paxson is getting a proven player from a winning program, just like Kirk Hinrich, Ben Gordon, Luol Deng and Chris Duhon.

"We just felt like Joakim fits what we're trying to do," Paxson said.

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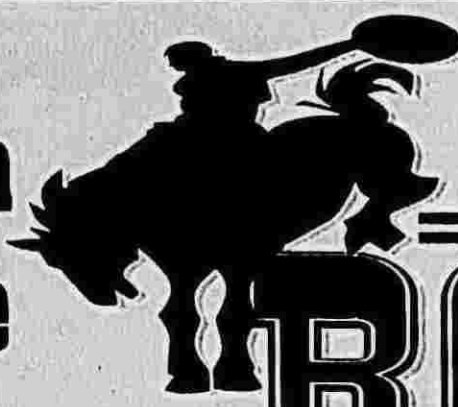
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sanctions more than 500 rodeos each year in almost every state in the union.

Every dollar won by contestants at an IPRA sanctioned rodeo translates into a point in the world championship standings. Therefore, the odds of current and former world champions, as well as contenders for the titles, com-

peting at sanctioned rodeos are quite high. This generates more interest for rodeo fans. Money won at rodeos in the contestants' home region counts toward their regional finals as well.

For contestants,



the IPRA creates the policies to enforce uniform rules which insure fairness in areas such as competition, rodeo entry, livestock draw and distribution of prize

money. IPRA members are expected to follow strict rules of dress and conduct both in and out of the arena. Insurance through the Association provides members with medical coverage both during and en route to and from sanctioned rodeos.

The Association's rules influence the spectators' enjoy-

ment as well. Uniform judging methods, livestock quality standards and mandatory arena conditions for fairness and safety contribute to the fans' appreciation of rodeo. Rules and guidelines to insure safe treatment of rodeo livestock have been established with the help of humane organizations.

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The IPRA was founded in 1957 when two rodeo promoters formed the Interstate Rodeo Association as a rodeo management organization and a sanctioning body.

Because the existing national rodeo organization was concerned with expansion west of the Mississippi river, this new group's primary interest was to enhance rodeo's credibility with the news media in the east where fly-by-night rodeos, Wild West shows, and unregulated contests had done much to discredit the sport.

One of the IPRA's original goals, which is still prevalent today, was to improve the rodeo industry as a whole through unification and congeniality.

In 1957, the Interstate Rodeo Association began counting championship points won at its rodeos and named its first world champions at the end of that year. Included among the rodeos providing championship points that year was the famous rodeo in Cowltown, NJ, the sport's first nationally televised event.

In 1964, the Interstate Rodeo Association changed its name to the International Rodeo Association, with

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Putting himself between a fallen bull rider



and a ton of unpredictable bull is what rodeo's bullfighting clowns are paid to do.

In addition to the serious business of distracting bulls from the cowboys who ride them, the painted performers in baggy pants also do what clowns have always done - entertain and amuse the audience with comical antics and jokes.

The rodeo bullfighting clown is a walking contradiction. His main job is deadly serious, with hard years of study, practice and painful lessons sharpening his ability to successfully outmaneuver twisting, spinning bulls and help the riders get away safely. The clown, like other specialty performers, provides a relaxing, amusing pause in the intense, dangerous rodeo action.

Any bull rider will testify that the clown is the most important person in the arena during the bull riding. When a rider is thrown, the clown is his only protection. Even when a bull rider makes a qualified ride, he still has to dismount. That's when the clown diverts the bull's attention and allows the cowboy, to head for safety.

A rodeo clown who is entertaining, funny and has the ability and courage to jump onto an angry bull to save a cowboy is highly

Rodeo life

Rodeo is a true American sport, springing from the unique occupation of the American Cowboy. The rodeo cowboy has taken the skills of the ranch cowboy and refined them with the perfection and precision required of all professional athletes. Rules were added to the contests, imposing conditions and pressures ranch cowboys do not have.

Wauconda Rodeo will be sanctioned by the International Pro Rodeo Association and operate under its rules.

Although many cowboys still come from traditional ranch or farm backgrounds, today's rodeo competitors may have started in youth or high school rodeo. Another change in rodeo in the past twenty years is that the circuit used to run from spring until fall, but indoor rodeos in coliseums and arenas have made

A look at the Rodeo

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headquarters in Pauls Valley, OK, where the association was located for 30 years. The "Professional" was officially added to the association's name in 1983 to distinguish it from other organizations and products using the initials "IRA." The national offices moved its location to the historic Stockyards area of Oklahoma City, in April of 1993.

The International Professional Rodeo Association (IPRA) revolutionized the sport of rodeo in 1964 by charter to create a Board of Governors made up of representatives from each segment of rodeo - stock contractors, contestants, fans, producers and contract performers. This body became the association's rule and policy making body and the powerful upper house of the IPRA's government.

This efficient and unique form of government has been utilized to obtain benefits for the entire sport. By assuring that all segments of rodeo are in harmony, the IPRA offers the most important element in rodeo - a complete, efficient entertainment package. While this new structure may have astounded the rodeo world, revolutionary actions were not foreign to the IPRA.

To date, the IPRA is the only national, professional rodeo association to sanction cowgirls barrel racing along with men's rodeo events and allow women to compete with men under the same set of rules in



the other six standard events.

The IPRA has been an industry leader in innovative ideas in rodeo management. Women have regularly served on its governing boards, a clinic for the education of rodeo judges began in 1963 and an illustrated judging handbook made its debut in 1969. The Association created the Miss Rodeo USA pageant in 1965 and began providing insurance for its members in 1966. It also established its own Humane Activities Office in 1970, to deal with animal welfare issues and to monitor the actions of radical, anti rodeo groups.

The IPRA was the first to develop a strong regional system that continues to reward cowboys and cowgirls who choose to limit their travels. Each region holds regional finals rodeos and top contestants from each region compete at the National All-Region Finals.

In 1968, the Association began planning for its first post-season event, the International Finals Rodeo. The first IFR was held in February of 1971 at the Tulsa Assembly Center as the Finals for the 1970 season. The IFR was sponsored by the local Jaycees. The rodeo remained in Tulsa until the end of the 1973 season, when it was held in Albuquerque, NM.

The IFR returned to Tulsa, where it remained until 1990, becoming Tulsa's largest entertainment event in 1986. In 1990, the IPRA officials announced that they had signed a multi-year agreement with the Oklahoma City All Sports association to move the event to the Myriad Convention Center beginning in January of 1991. Since the International Finals move to Oklahoma City, the prize money has more than doubled, new attendance records have been set and the Finals are featured annually in a national telecast.

In 1996, the IPRA again became the sole producer of the IFR. The premier event of the IPRA was moved to its new home at the Oklahoma State Fair Arena. The State Fair Arena is the home of many of the country's most prestigious equine events and it was the obvious home for the International Finals Rodeo.

1996 was a banner year for the IPRA in many aspects, the IFR moved to its new home at the State Fair Arena. The IPRA and IFR both saw an increase in national and local sponsorship participation. A central entry system was adopted by the Association as a convenience to both the contestant and the stock contractor.

The future definitely looks bright for the International Pro Rodeo Association.

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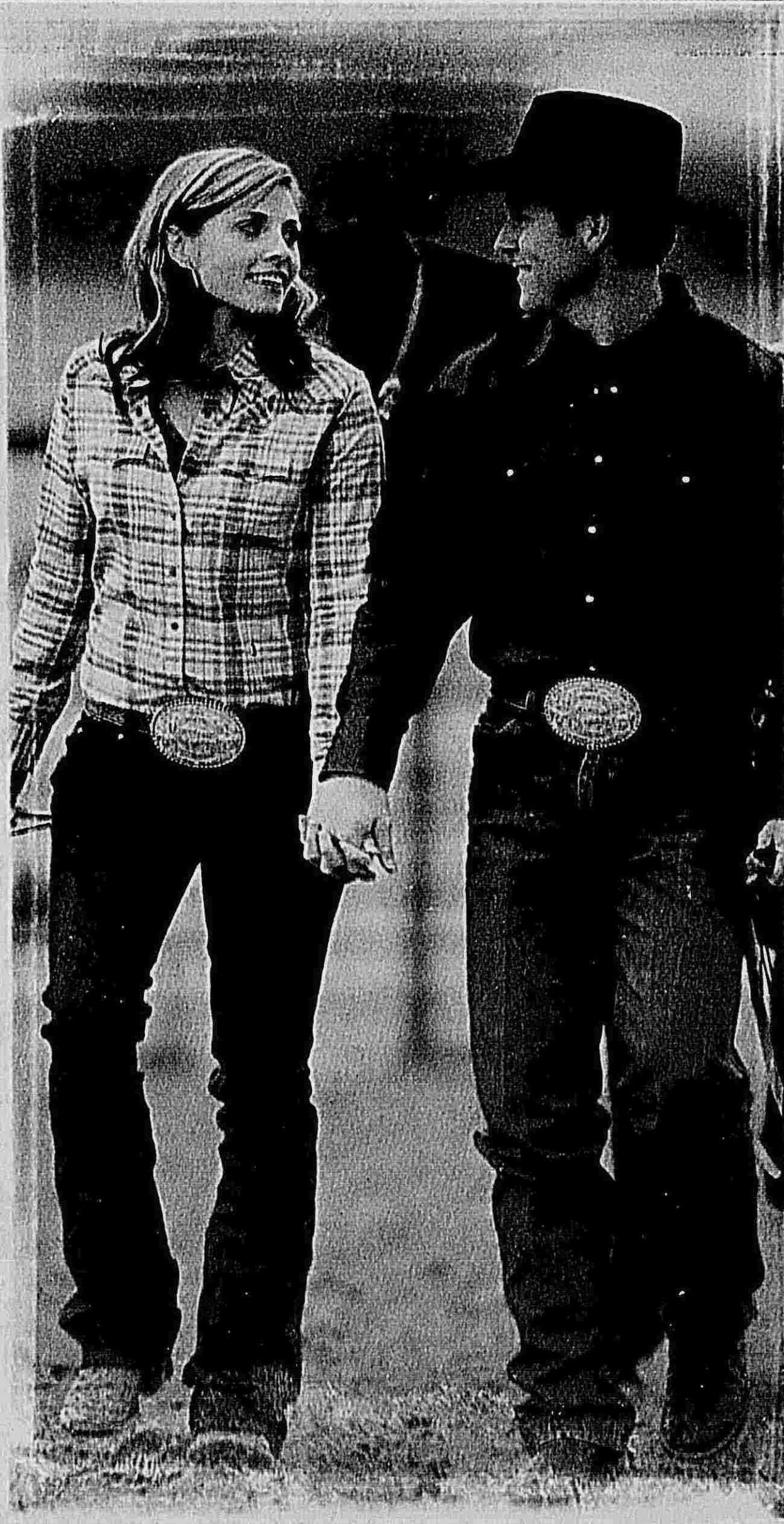
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Well-maintained livestock is a qualifying factor for a rodeo production company's membership in the International Professional Rodeo Association (IPRA) and its annual review by the board of directors.

IPRA judges inspect all animals before each competition to determine fitness for competition, file reports on the condition of animals at each rodeo, enforce strict rules governing the contests and proper use of equipment and impose fines or expulsion for violations. The rules are more complete than federal or state laws for animals and are reviewed and revised periodically.

The respect and admiration felt by rodeo contestants for the animals are demonstrated in the annual awards that are given to the top animals of the rodeo for the past season at the International Finals Rodeo. The animal awards are given for perfection of performance in timed events and ability to buck in riding events.

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7:00 pm..... RODEO BEGINS:

It's cowboys, bulls, and broncos as the 44th annual IPRA Championship Rodeo gets under way! Six competition events are interspersed with other variety acts such as trick riding and equestrian drill teams. The performance lasts for approximately three hours. The main events are:

- Bull Riding
- Bare Back Bronc
- Saddle Bronc
- Barrel Racing
- Calf Roping
- Steer Wrestling

10:00 pm..... THE BAND PLAYS ON:

Don't go home yet! The band plays one more set and the Beer Garden keeps pouring. Food vendors provide that late night snack.

SUNDAY

1:00 pm..... GATES OPEN:

Sunday is Family Day with a free petting zoo, \$2 pony rides and a "Kids Jamboree". Come early to enjoy a hot lunch and a cool drink under the midway tent. Live music by local favorite "Kevin Purcell and the Nightburners", the Budweiser Beer Garden, a moonwalk and great merchandise vendors will keep you entertained until the main event!

Registration for the Kids' Jamboree begins promptly at 1pm. The first 100 children ages 4 to 8 may register for a \$2 fee.

1:30 pm..... KID'S JAMBOREE:

All registered children participate in the activities from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. Learn to twirl a rope, stick pony races, sack races, and more put the little ones in the main arena for an hour of fun.

3:00 pm..... RODEO BEGINS:

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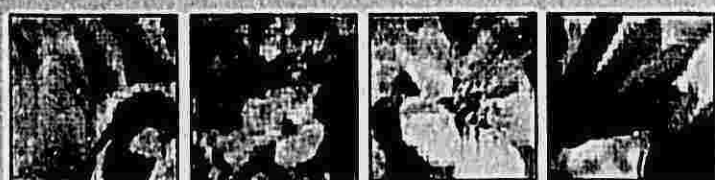
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